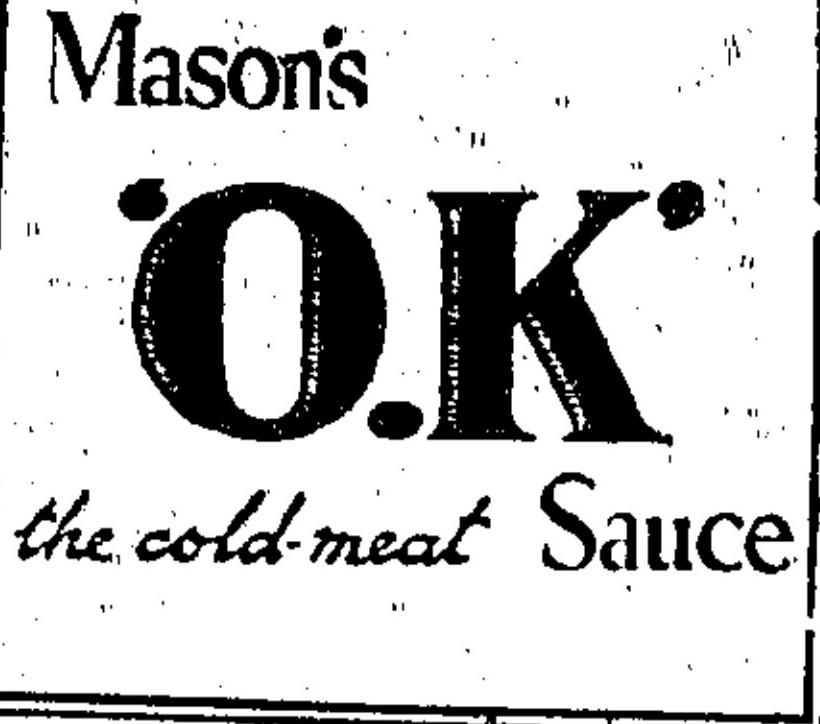


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## SWEDEN TO TREBLE AIR FORCE: ADDITIONAL £41 MILLION IN NATIONAL DEFENCES SINCE THE WAR BEGAN

CHIEF REUTER CORRESPONDENT EXPELLED FROM BUCHAREST

### CAUSE OF MUCH SPECULATION

LONDON, Mar. 25 (Reuter)—The expansion from Bucharest of Mr. M. H. Lovell, Reuter's chief correspondent in the Balkans, is causing much interest and speculation.

He was expelled by the Rumanian authorities following a despatch by him on Saturday stating that the German trade demands on Rumania amounted to an ultimatum. This subsequently was officially contradicted by the Rumanian authorities.

Mr. Lovell was arrested and detained in Bucharest and some hours later was put on a train which left the capital.

It is stated that Mr. Lovell obtained details of the German demands from German official sources which used the word ultimatum and in good faith he sent the message.

There is no comment in official circles here regarding the incident and presumably none will be made until full reports have been received from Bucharest.



COUNT TELEKI  
Teleki To See Mussolini

ROME, Mar. 25 (Reuter)—Count Paul Teleki, Hungarian Prime Minister, was received this morning by Count Ciano, Italian Foreign Minister, with whom it was announced he had a long and cordial conversation.

Signor Mussolini will receive Count Teleki tomorrow at the Palazzo Venezia.

## FIGHTING CONTINUES IN W. KWANGTUNG: JAPANESE WITHDRAW FROM NAMTAU

PINGYANG, KWANGS. MARCH 25 (CENTRAL) — FOLLOWING THE CHINESE RECAPTURE OF LINGSHAN ON FRIDAY, the centre of fighting on the south bank of the Wu River in West Kwangtung has shifted to the vicinity of Wuli, south of Lingshan, where remnant Japanese are surrounded by strong Chinese troops.

The Japanese unit which retreated to Lungwuling from Lingshan was repulsed on Saturday evening.

YUNGYUN, KWANGTUNG, Mar. 25 (Central)—Reviewing the war situation on the Kwangtung Front, a military communiqué states that Chinese forces in a counter-attack forced the Japanese to withdraw from Namtau to Chekwan on Saturday. Points south of Namtau are now cleared of invaders.

### STIFF RESISTANCE

The Japanese effected a landing on Chekwan on the morning of March 21 and advanced to Namtau, where stiff resistance was encountered. Chinese forces at Namtau at the same time launched a flanking attack and threatened the Japanese rear. After a series of combats, the Japanese were forced to withdraw to Chekwan, abandoning a number of dead.

Fighting in Chungshan continued throughout the weekend in the vicinity of Sheki, with the Chinese in firm control of the highways.

On the Kowloon Sector, Chinese forces made a surprise attack on Sunwut on March 21. They smashed their way into the city and engaged the Japanese to hand-to-hand struggle at Shatai, but withdrew on the next morning when Japanese reinforcements arrived.

Along the Canton-Samshui Highway, several Japanese attacks on Yeungmei were repulsed.

### CLEARING UP

SOMEWHERE IN WEST SUI-YUAN, March 25 (Central)—Chinese forces are now engaged in clearing up remnant Japanese in Wuyuan, West Suiyuan, after breaking into the city last week.

The Chinese captured a large quantity of Japanese war equipment, including several artillery pieces, machine-guns, 27 trucks, radio sets and ammunition.

## Reservists To Have More Training

STOCKHOLM, Mar. 25 (Reuter)—The Swedish Defence Minister, M. P. E. Skold, stated that, whether or not Sweden joins in the defence alliance with the Scandinavian countries, she must increase her defences.

He added that Sweden would treble her air force in the next two years while the navy would be enlarged as quickly as warships could be purchased.

### AERODROMES AND COASTAL FORTRESSES WOULD BE BUILT.

He said that since the war Sweden had spent an additional £41,000,000 in national defences while reservists would be given more training.

The Defence Minister gave a warning to Communists in Sweden that Communism would be wiped out by democratic means.

It is officially admitted in Berlin that Germany would have intervened if Allied troops had landed in Sweden.

The Official News Agency states that Germany left no doubt that transport of British and French troops across Norway and Sweden and intervention by these countries in accordance with the British demands would have been the first act of widening the theatre of war which would have been a threat to Germany from the north.

Germany was determined to react to such an event.

### THOUGHT MORE SUITABLE

### RIBBENTROP SHOULD VISIT MOSCOW AGAIN

STOCKHOLM, Mar. 25 (Reuter)—Commenting on the announcement that M. Molotov, Soviet Foreign Commissar, is not going to Berlin, the Moscow correspondent of the Aftonbladet states: "Germany cannot count on the Soviet as an absolutely reliable ally who will support Germany throughout the war."

"It was considered that it would be a loss of prestige for Germany if Herr von Ribbentrop made a third journey to Moscow. Therefore, the Germans did everything in their power to persuade M. Molotov to visit Germany or Poland instead, but the Soviets refused."

The correspondent adds that it is considered in the Kremlin that Germany needs Russia but Russia does not need Germany, therefore, it is thought more suitable that Ribbentrop should again visit Moscow.

### NOTHING SAFE IN GERMANY!

Another story from Germany states that the latest black-out crime there is the loss of a seven hundred weight steam roller, says Reuter from London.

Field-Marshal Goering's paper, the National Zeitung, states that "nothing is safe nowadays in Germany."

## New French Premier



M. Paul Reynaud, the new Prime Minister of France. He was Minister for Finance in the Daladier Cabinet which resigned last week.

## DEPRESSION IN GERMANY HAS GONE; SAYS LEY

LONDON, Mar. 25 (Reuter)—Berlin Radio says that Dr. Robert Ley, speaking at a camp in the Siegfried Line and referring to the hardships of the German people and Army during the winter, declared: "It is a miracle that the spirit of the German people has not been broken by these sufferings but we in Germany are like the concrete of the Western Wall—the longer it lasts the harder it gets."

Dr. Ley declared that many Germans, at the beginning of the war, felt depressed but the depression had gone and nobody doubted that Germany would be victorious and that the German aim was the complete annihilation of Britain and France.

The speech is also intended to dispel the disappointment of Germany at the failure to present them with a diplomatic success following the meeting with Signor Mussolini.

### BALKAN INTEGRITY

Special to H.K. Daily Press

PARIS, Mar. 25 (Havas)—Authoritative quarters express doubts that Berlin, Rome and Moscow are issuing a joint declaration to guarantee the integrity of the Balkan States as a result of the Mussolini-Hitler talks and the Reich's efforts to bring Moscow into the Axis.

It is generally admitted here that the three capitals seriously fear Allied intervention in South-eastern Europe, and that all the three totalitarian States do not wish either of them to acquire a dominant position there.

In this connexion, observers recall the active role played by South-eastern Europe while Germany was busy in Poland and watched the Russian action in the north.

### ITALY RELUCTANT

Following the Hitler-Mussolini talks at Brenner, Italy has reluctantly resigned herself to let Germany take the initiative in Rumania and Rome is now endeavouring to concentrate her action in Yugoslavia.

Regarding Moscow, French authoritative quarters point out that the Soviet is not likely to conclude with Italy and Germany any agreement whose effect will bar Russia's way to the Balkans while the Balkan States themselves look upon Russia as a possible obstacle to the spreading of German influence.

With Russian domination of the Ober and Baltic, Germany will, at all costs, try to prevent the possibility of establishment of Russian control in the Near East which is at present in Allied hands.

In Berlin, the main fears are

that Germany be placed at Russia's mercy both in North and South Europe.

An unknown Chinese male was

found hanging from a beam in

the hold of lighter No. 103 moored

at No. 3 wharf, Kowloon Godowns

yesterday morning. The body was

removed to the mortuary.

## MR. M. J. SAVAGE

WELLINGTON, Mar. 25 (Reuter)

The latest bulletin on Mr. M. J.

Savage, New Zealand's Premier, who has now been ill for some time reads: "Mr. Savage continues to lose strength and his condition is more critical."

## ANOTHER ADOLF HITLER!

LONDON, Mar. 25 (Reuter)—A

70-year-old Jew in Poland is causing

the German authorities much

embarrassment.

He is a Latvian subject but the

Nazis are hesitating to give him a

visa to return to his country for

fear of jokes abroad.

His name is Adolf Hitler.

## CHANGES IN ELECTION PROCEDURE OF S'hai MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

### Reported Granting Of Japanese Requests

SHANGHAI, MAR. 25 (REUTER)—THE POSSIBLE FORECAST OF A SPIRITED ELECTION FOR THE SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL COUNCILLORS, on April 10 and 11, is seen in a report in the Japanese daily, Shanghai Mainichi, stating that several requests by Japanese rate-payers have been granted by the Shanghai Municipal Council, according to the Shanghai Times.

The requests reported to have been granted by the S.M.C. includes Japanese watchers at the polling booths, Japanese "coaches" at each poll, Japanese rate-payers to be permitted to sign ballots in Japanese and the names of Japanese candidates, to be printed on the ballots, in Japanese.

Efforts to confirm, in S.M.C. circles, this report in the Japanese daily were unsuccessful but it is generally understood that certain changes in election procedure have been agreed to by S.M.C. officials, the Shanghai Times says.

Although the Japanese have not indicated whether they will attempt to increase Japanese representation on the Council in the coming year there is a belief that additional representation will be sought, because of the increased Japanese population within the jurisdiction of the Council.

No names of Japanese candidates have been announced, but it is taken for granted that an attempt to secure a third seat on the Municipal Council will be made next month, according to the Shanghai Times.

## Shooting In Shanghai

Special to H.K. Daily Press

SHANGHAI, Mar. 25 (Havas)—Chow Wen-tung, son of Chow Pan-chun, was slightly wounded this evening by two gunmen in the Settlement.

Chow Pan-chun was suspected of having connections with Chu Ming-yi, Foreign Minister in the new Nanking "Government," and attempts were made on his life a few months ago.

This was disclosed by the Department of Agriculture where it was added that difficulties are expected in disposing of the 1940 crop abroad.

It was also predicted that the Government would again be asked to advance large loans to growers on unmarketable surpluses.

## CURTAILMENT OF U.S. COTTON PURCHASES

WASHINGTON, Mar. 25 (Reuter)—The British trade authorities have informed United States officials that the United Kingdom expects to curtail purchases of United States Cotton in order to conserve foreign exchange.

This was disclosed by the Department of Agriculture where it was added that difficulties are expected in disposing of the 1940 crop abroad.

It was also predicted that the Government would again be asked to advance large loans to growers on unmarketable surpluses.

## FRENCH CAPTURE NAZI PRISONERS

PARIS, Mar. 25 (Reuter)—The War communiqué issued today states that the French captured a number of German prisoners in a local engagement. It was quiet last night along the whole front.

## TRAWLER SUNK

LONDON, Mar. 25 (Reuter)—The Admiralty announced that the British trawler Loch Assastor has been sunk by a mine and all the crew saved.

## NEW TYPE OF GERMAN TORPEDO

LONDON, Mar. 25 (Reuter)—Admiralty experts are examining a new type of German torpedo which was washed ashore near Bridlington.

It is 12 feet long and is believed to have been dropped by a German hydroplane on Saturday.

It is thought that the torpedo has a double life, that is, if it does not strike the target when dropped it becomes a kind of mine.

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# In the World of Sports



## KEEN RACING ON SECOND DAY OF EASTER MEETING: CONFUSION BAY & BURFORD IN DEAD-HEAT

### Guinness Time Pays The Biggest Win Dividend

In strong contrast to the damp and dismal conditions in which the opening day of the Easter meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club was run, the second day's programme was held in delightful weather yesterday when there was a large crowd at the Valley.

The track, however, was still slightly soft and the times returned were, therefore, somewhat slow. The racing was very keen, nevertheless, and there were some close and exciting finishes.

#### RUMOURED SALE OF DUNBAR STABLE

It is rumoured that Mr. Lambert Dunbar has sold his stable to Mr. T. K. Li.

There was a dead-heat in the second race when Burford and Confusion Bay passed the winning post together. Wilber beat West Lake to win the sixth event by a short head and Jennifer's victory over Jober in the seventh event was by a mere head.

Favourites were generally to the fore, but Guinness Time and Bruno caused upsets when they won the Kellett and Camramatta Handicaps to pay \$90.80 and \$48.30 respectively.

There were some good place dividends, of which Vixen Tor \$43.60, Sydney Lad \$32.80, Fair Chance \$24.90, West Lake \$23.40, Laughing Girl \$22.90 and Many Thanks \$20.80 were the best.

It is interesting to note that while Guinness Time paid the biggest win dividend of the day, Bruno, who returned the next best, paid \$22 for a place against Guinness Time's \$17.90.

#### "DAILY DOUBLE"

The Daily Double on White Diamond and Murrumbidgee paid \$13.70 to each of 541 selectors of the correct combination. The total pool was \$7,422.

Mr. Donald Black and Mr. H. C. Phu rode two winners each. This puts Mr. Black at the head of the jockeys' list for the meeting with a total of four winners (including one dead-heat) while Mr. P. Y. T. Wei comes next with three wins, two seconds and three thirds. Mr. W. H. S. Davis also brought in three winners and was only once placed. Mr. Phu is next in line with two winners (including a dead-heat) and a place while Mr. G. Treverton follows with two winners.

Following are the full results with brief notes on how the horses ran:

#### RACE ONE

National Pride, Hughber and Distinctive Time were the first to show up as the field strung out on entering the back stretch. At the rock, National Pride weakened and Hughber took the lead. Ronson moved up to take second place and Distinctive Time was still third.

Hughber led into the straight and was almost on the post

when Gay Star second in demand, coming up strongly on the outside, won by half a length, while Distinctive Time, the favourite, making a late spurt, was third. Victoria beat the much fancied Ronson for fourth place.

1.—12.30 p.m.—Kellett Handicap.

First Section (One Mile).

Kong Bros. Gay Star, 158 lbs.

(Mr. Needa)

Marber I's Hughber, 151 lbs.

(Mr. Chao)

Mr. Li Po-chun's Distinctive

Time, 161 lbs. (Mr. Wei)

Won by half length; two lengths between second and third.

Time: 2.024.

Pari Mutuel:—

Win: \$22.80

Place: \$7.10, \$7.50, \$6.10

Also ran:—Boat Bay, 160 lbs.

(L. Yuen); Galveston Bay, 161

(Hearne); Gladiator, 158 (Proulx)

Just In Time, 161 (P. B. Botelho); National Pride, 145 (S. W. Tang); National Success, 148 (Yeung Wing-kwai); Oomph, 153 (Ho Pak-ming); Pinfarthings, 158 (S. W. Pan); Ronson, 151 (Poy); Rose-Queen, 148 (Ip Kiu Fung); Silver Wings, 142 (S. W. Lee); Smashing Through, 147 (Tang Man-wa); Tampa Bay, 161 (Black); Taxing Master, 161 (B. L. Tao); Victoria, 154 (Davis). Betting

Win: 3.03 Place: 3.065

RACE TWO

Spylight, Mount Hope Bay,

Satinlight and Burford were in front in that order past the stands. Down the back stretch

Mount Hope Bay took the lead, but Spylight was less than a neck behind. Burford was now third.

Mount Hope Bay lead into the straight, where Burford, not favourite, moved up and took the lead only to be caught up by Confusion Bay, who came up strongly on the outside to pass the post level with the favourite.

Mount Hope Bay was third and Spylight, second favourite, poor fourth.

2.—1.00 p.m.—Easter Stakes (One Mile).

Mr. Quartermaster's Burford, 168 lbs. (Mr. H. C. Phu)

Mr. L. Dunbar's Confusion Bay, 158 lbs. (Mr. D. Black)

Mr. L. Dunbar's Mount Hope Bay, 156 lbs. (Mr. B. A. Proulx)

—Dead heat.

Dead heat; three lengths between second and third.

Time: 1.54.3.

Pari Mutuel:—

Win: \$4.10 (Burford), \$15.10 (Confusion Bay), \$9.80 (Confusion Bay), \$12.10.

Also ran:—Eve of Harvest, 144 lbs. (W. G. Poy); Eve of Heaven, 144 (Ho Pak-ming); Gretter, 150 (L. B. Chao); Satinlight, 166 (H. J. A. Hearne); Spylight, 161 (P. Y. T. Wei).

Betting

Win: 1.683 Place: 8.85

Continued on page 5

### Interport Hockey



Group photograph of the Macao and Hong Kong Interport hockey teams which met at King's Park on Sunday morning when Hong Kong won by three goals to one. Yesterday, the Colony Civilians were defeated by the Portuguese visitors.

### Macao Interporters Beat H.K. Civilians At Hockey

Airosa, and twice more through Alex Airesa.

#### THE TEAMS

MACAO: C. Almada; Rig. Rosario and A. Basto; J. Nolasco, Alex Airesa and Laertes Costa (Captain); Frederico Nolasco, J. Santos Ferreira; Albert Airesa, Renaldo Angelo and Amilcar Angelo.

H. K. CIVILIANS: U. B. Souza (Radio); J. B. Goncalves (Recreio); R. J. Reed (Nomads); M. H. Hassan (Radio); W. A. Reed (CMB) (Capt.); A. M. Alves (Recreio); S. A. Fowler (C.B.A.); G. H. Fowler (C.B.A.); Pyara Singh (K.I.T.C.D.); E. Fowler (C.B.A.); J. A. Soares (Recreio).

#### KUMAON RIFLES

The Kumaon Rifles beat the 5th A. A. Regt., R. A. by five goals to nil in a Large Units Knockout Hockey Tournament match played at the Marina ground yesterday. The goals were scored by Captain Loch (2), Narain Singh (2) and Major S. Aptleton.

#### NOMADS BEATEN

Deserving winners of a fast, though scrappy, encounter, the Police yesterday beat the Nomads Hockey Club by two goals to one at Boundary Road when they met in the Hockey Association Tournament.

The teams changed over on even terms and the scorers were J. Franco for the Nomads and Jas Singh and J. Wall for the winners.

The teams: Police:—Balwant Singh; Makhan Singh; Bodh Singh; Leslie Mehar Singh; Brown; Faizau Singh; Howlett; Jas Singh; J. Wall and Narwant Singh.

Nomads:—A. Silva; R. Xavier; H. Soares; F. Soares; R. J. Reed; H. Gubbay; F. O. Reed; J. H. Franco; S. A. Reed; P. Hill and B. Xavier.

#### SPORTING FIXTURES TODAY

BADMINTON.—Men's Doubles—K. L. Yone and H. F. Chew or H. M. Lau and S. C. Chung V. F. Koh and C. Y. Yung (King's College, 8 p.m.); C. K. Cheah and T. T. Chin v. C. Au and Patrick H. Wong (King's College, 8.30 p.m.). Men's Junior Singles.—W. Gillies v. P. Wynne-Blyth (King's College, 9 p.m.).

CRICKET.—Final of Large Units (Army) Competition—Royal Engineers v. Royal Artillery (Sookunpoo, 11 a.m.).

TENNIS.—Open Singles, J. S. Theodore v. O. Umetsu (5); Leung Ping-chu v. J. B. Goncalves (7); H. D. Rumjahn v. Marsland Ma (8). Handicap Singles, C. H. R. Hyde, -30 v. L. M. S. Lloyd, -26 (1); D. M. Macdougall, -15 (2) v. P. Wynter Blyth, -26 (2); T. J. Gould, -30 (3); W. C. Beavan, -26 (3); T. C. Monaghan, -48 v. J. J. Ferguson, -15.2 (6).

TOMORROW

BADMINTON.—B. Division, K.C.C. v. V.R.C.; King's College v. S. John's; Kowloon Tong v. Recreio.

HOCKEY.—Triangular Tournament: Hongkong Hockey Club v. The Army, on the Club Ground, 5.15 p.m.

MEETING.—Annual of Sports Club, 6.30 p.m.

FRIDAY, MARCH 29

ATHLETICS.—Annual Athletic

Sports of St. Paul's College, on

South China AA Ground, Caro-

line Hill, 4.30 to 5 p.m.

MEETING.—Annual of Hongkong

Lawn Bowls Association, in the

Boardroom of S.C.M. Post.

### CHINA WINS INTERNATIONAL SOCCER CUP FOR THIRD YEAR: BRILLIANT GOAL-KEEPING BY DUNCAN: ALL CHINESE FORWARDS ON FORM

#### DETAILED RESULTS

The following are the detailed results and goal scorers:

##### SEMI-FINAL

Dec. 25, 1939—China 2 v. Portugal 1.

Dec. 26, 1939—Scotland 2 v. England 0.

##### FINAL

Mar. 25, 1940—China 7 v. Scotland 2.

##### GOAL SCORERS

China—Chan Tak-fai 5, Fung King-cheung 2, Ip Pak-wah 2.

Portugal—B. T. Gosano.

Scotland—Hossack, W. G. Pryde, Fleming.

##### PREVIOUS WINNERS

Scotland—1925, 1927, 1928, 1931.

Portugal—1926, 1932.

England—1929.

Wales—1934.

Ireland—1937.

China—1930, 1933, 1935, 1936, 1938, 1939, 1940.

### Good Anticipation By Blackburn In Defence

SCINTILLATING PLAY BY THE CHINESE FORWARDS and brilliant goal-keeping by Duncan, who was hurt towards the interval, were the highlights in yesterday's final of the "Sunday Herald" International Charity Cup football competition at Sookunpoo when China met and defeated Scotland by 7-2 before a capacity crowd after leading 3-0 in the first half.

The Chinese, by virtue of their victory yesterday, created a record in winning the Cup for three years in succession.

At the conclusion of the game, Mrs. G. C. Burnett, wife of the "Sunday Herald" Manager, presented the trophy to Hsu King-seng, captain of the victorious team, amidst prolonged applause.

There were considerable changes in Scotland's team—Falconer coming in for Parnaby in the pivotal position, whilst Holden and Fleming replaced Coul and Tait in the forward line. China played as advertised, except for the change, Ip Pak-wah substituting for Lai Shui-wing.

China won as was generally expected and, but for the magnificence of goal-keeping of Duncan, would have left the field winners by a far greater margin.

Duncan undoubtedly was the hero in the Scottish team—he gave one of the brightest displays between the sticks and, prior to his injury, saved time and time again in brilliant manner from the fast Chinese forwards of whom Chan Tak-fai was the most dangerous.

Blackburn and Bone played exceptionally well, especially the former, who showed good anticipation and coolness under heavy pressure. Falconer, occupying the centre-half position, played well and, considering the formidable array of talent before him, gave a sound performance.

Birrell, better known in rugger circles, lent good support and, together with Clarke, held up the Chinese attack on more than one occasion.

Scotland's attack was weak. With the exception of W. G. Pryde, the others were too slow with the ball and lacked understanding with each other's play. Fleming and Ferrier were the more dangerous pair and most of Scotland's attacks came from the centre-half position, played well and, considering the form of each other's play, gave a good opportunity to score when from a high pass from Chung, Ip Pak-wah had hard luck to see his shot miss by inches.

China now came into the picture and, following a pass from Hsu, Hau Ching-to dribbled past Birrell to take a fast shot at goal only to see it scrape the post.

**OPORTUNITY MISSED**

After these two narrow escapes, Scotland had a grand opportunity

to score when Lee Tin-sang missed in his interception of a high pass to allow Fleming to gain possession of the ball but, with only the goal-keeper to beat, he missed with a shot wide off its mark.

From the goal kick, the Chinese applied pressure and subjected the Scottish goal to innumerable attacks, but all proved of no value due to the brilliant custodianship of Duncan.

The first goal of the afternoon came when Bone, in not disposing of the ball sooner, allowed Chan to rob him and send in a fast shot which entered the far corner of the net. On resumption, the Chinese dominated play and Ip Pak-wah nearly scored when he sent in a fast grounder which Duncan saved amidst applause.

##### "SPOT" KICK

The second goal came a little later when Birrell handled in the penalty area during a melee in the goalmouth to allow Fung to increase the lead from the "spot" kick. Play continued in the Scottish territory and Duncan was always there.

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Red beet is most commonly used, but there is no reason why white should not figure more often on menus. The richest mineral content is usually sodium, but there are also cal-

## COMING EVENTS

### MARCH

26—Tides: High 10.53 a.m. and 11.52 p.m. Low 4.55 a.m. and 5.10 p.m. Sunrise: 6.23 a.m.; Sunset: 6.57 p.m. H.K. Whampoa Dock Co., Annual Mtg., 12 noon.

H.E. the Governor and Lady Northcote return to Government House from Fanling Lodge.

Busy Bees Working Party, Bridge & Mahjong Drive, Cathedral Hall, 3 p.m.

King's Theatre: Special Showing in aid of Chinese War Charities, 9.30 p.m.

West Country Society Supper Dance, Peninsula Hotel, 9 p.m. Crown Land Sale, P.W.D., 3 p.m. Urban Council Mtg., 4.15 p.m. Y.M.C.A.: A.D.C. Rehearsal, 9 p.m.; Service: Whist Drive, 8.30 p.m.

Lunch on board "Lamotte Piquet," 1 p.m. University Court at H.K. University, 5.30 p.m.: Special Congregation, 6.30 p.m.

H.K. Rotary Club: Tiffin Mtg., 1 p.m.; Mr. F. M. X. Chelot to Show Cinema film of opening of Tsung Fa Bungalow of Canton Rotary Club.

Large Units Cricket Final, Sookun-poo, 11 a.m.

Colony Tennis Championships, Large Units Hockey—Shumshui-poo and Marina Ground.

Kowloon Chess Club, Peninsula Hotel, 5.30 p.m.

Cathedral Scouts, Bishop's House, 5.30 p.m.

St. Andrew's Women's Guild, 10 a.m.; Mothers' Union, 3 p.m. St. Andrew's Church Council Mtg., 6 p.m.

Salvation Army Home for Women and Girls, Annual Mtg., 4.30 p.m. Soldiers' Guild of St. George, Fortnightly Mtg., Scandal Point Hall, 7.30 p.m.

Cheerio Club Whist Drive, 9 p.m. Sunrise: 6.21 a.m.; Sunset: 6.38 p.m.

27—Tides: High 11.23 a.m.; Low 5.05 a.m. and 8.03 p.m. Sunrise: 6.25 a.m.; Sunset: 6.38 p.m. Dairy Farm Ice and Cold Storage Co., Ltd., Annual Mtg., 12 noon.

Cheerio Club, Gala Dance, 8.30 p.m. H.K.R.A. Prize Meeting.

Y.M.C.A.: Contract Bridge Class, 10 a.m.; A.D.C. Rehearsal, 6 p.m.

China Entertainment & Land Investment Co., Ltd., Annual Mtg., King's Theatre Building, 12 noon.

Triangular Hockey—Army v. H.K. Hockey Club, 5.15 p.m.

French Convent: Charity Performance, 5.30 p.m.

Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—1 p.m.

Cathedral Women's Fellowship Working Party, Cathedral Hall, 10 a.m.

H.K. Medical Hors: Meeting of Anti-Tuberculosis Assocn., 5 p.m.

British Medical Assn. (H.K. and China Branch), Clinical Mtg., Queen Mary Hospital, 9 p.m.

Queen's College Annual Sports Meeting.

Colony Tennis Championships, Kowloon Union Church Women's Guild, 10 a.m.

Kowloon Bowling Green Club, Annual Mtg., 6 p.m.

S. and S. Home, General Committee Mtg., 5.30 p.m.

28—Tides: High 12.50 a.m. and 12.05 p.m. Low 5.35 a.m. and 7 p.m. Sunrise: 6.20 a.m.; Sunset: 6.39 p.m.

Cheat Championship Continued, Legislative Council, 2.30 p.m.

Y.M.C.A.: A.D.C. To Present "Housemaster," 9 p.m., Britannia, H.K.R.A. Prize Meeting.

Peninsula Hotel, Harp Recital, 9.15 p.m.

French Convent: Charity Performance, 5.30 p.m.

China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd., Annual Mtg., H.K. Hotel, 12 noon.

H.K. Police Inspection, by H.E. the Governor, 4.45 p.m.

Cheerio Club, Contract Bridge, Kowloon Tong Garden City Assn. Annual Mtg., 6 p.m.

Sports Club, Annual Meeting, 5.30 p.m.

Society of St. George, Annual Meeting, H.K. Jockey Club Board Room, 5.16 p.m.

Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—1 p.m.

Social Service Centre, Annual Mtg., St. John's Cathedral Hall, 5.30 p.m.

Lawn Bowls: H.K. team v. Prison Dept., at Stanley, 3.45 p.m.

Colony Tennis Championships, Entries Close for H.K. Jockey Club's Third Extra Mtg., 12 noon.

29—Tides: High 1.55 a.m. and 12.50 p.m. Low 6.06 a.m. and 8.06 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.20 a.m.; Sunset: 6.40 p.m.

Institute of Engineers: Lecture on "Chemical Warfare" by Wiss Com. A. H. Steele-Perkins.

H.K. Police Dance, in aid of B.W.O.F., Peninsula Hotel.

French Convent: Charity Performance, 5.30 p.m.

Annual Colony Marathon, Kowloon, 5 p.m.

St. Andrew's Church Hall, Mahjong Drive in aid of D.G.S. Building Fund.

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Y.M.C.A.: A.D.C. Presentation of "Housemaster," 9 p.m.; Games Morning, 10 a.m.

H.K.R.A. Prize Meeting.

Diocean Old Boys' Assn. Annual Mtg., Lo & Lo's Office, 5.30 p.m.

A.S. Watson and Co. Ltd., Annual Mtg., H.K. Hotel, 11.30 a.m.

Cheerio Club, Duria, Table-Tennis and Billiards.

Hongkong Club, Annual Mtg., 5.30 p.m.

H.K. University Alumni Assn., Annual Mtg., Gloucester Building, 5.30 p.m.

H.K. Lawn Bowls Assn., Annual Meeting.

St. Paul's Annual Sports, 1.30 p.m.

Colony Tennis Championships, Kowloon Union Church Jumble Sale.

It is best eaten raw in shredded form, in salads, the clean skin being left intact where it is not too tough. If cooked, the best method is baking. Each vegetable should be wrapped in grease with a dressing of butter or margarine, or with salad or meat. The flavour will be a revelation.

The leaves of beet make a valuable salad ingredient. They are richer in some minerals than

## Radio Programmes

### HONGKONG

Kirsten Flagstad (Soprano) with Piano Quartet in E Flat Major, Op. 51—Lener String Quartet.

8.45 A Light Orchestral Concert with Richard Tauber (Tenor).

8.45 Masque (Fletcher)—Light Symphony Orchestra, Indian Love Call (from "Rose Marie"—Frini)—Richard Tauber (Tenor) with Grand Symphony Orchestra.

8.45 Masque (Fletcher)—Light Symphony Orchestra, Moon Reve (Waldteufel)—Light Symphony Orchestra.

8.45 "Rose Marie, I Love You" (from "Rose Marie"—Frini)—Richard Tauber (Tenor) with Grand Symphony Orchestra.

8.45 Babylon Nights (Zemachick)—In The Sudan (Sebeck)—Alfred Van Dam and His Gaumont State Orch. Somewhere A Voice Is Calling (Newton-Tate)—Richard Tauber (Tenor) with Orch. Parade of the Imps (Eckle)—George Grock-Ferrari and His Orchestra.

8.45 London Relay—News Summary.

8.45 London Relay—"Cards on the Table."

8.45 Bizet—The Fair Maid of Perth Suite.

Sir Thomas Beecham conducting the London Philharmonic Orchestra.

10.02 R.H.C. Recording—"Poor Old Snail."

A Sketch.

10.13 Selections from Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Gondoliers."

From The Sunny Spanish Shore: Enterprise of Martial Kind—Henry A. Lytton, Bertha Lewis, Mavis Bennett and Arthur Hosking.

O Rapture When Alone Together: There Was A Time—Mavis Bennett and Arthur Hosking. I Stole The Prince—Leo Shefield, Henry A. Lytton, Bertha Lewis, Mavis Bennett and Arthur Hosking. But, Bless My Heart: Try We Lifelong—Mavis Bennett, Leo Shefield, Henry A. Lytton, Bertha Lewis and Arthur Hosking. Bridgroom and Bride—Chorus. When A Merry Maiden Married—Aileen Davies and Chorus. Kind Sir, You Cannot Have The Heart—Vivien Reed Lawson.

10.40 Mozart—Symphony in D Major ("Paris").

Sir Thomas Beecham conducting the London Philharmonic Orch.

11.00 Close down.

## SHORT WAVE

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G.B.G.	17.75m. (16.85m.)
G.R.E.	9.51m. (8.55m.)
G.S.H.	21.47m. (21.97m.)
G.S.O.	15.18m. (18.77m.)

### NEWS IN ENGLISH

Transmission I—News Summary.

Full Bulletin ..... 4.00 p.m.

Trans. II &amp; III—News Summary.

Full Bulletin ..... 6.00 p.m.

Trans. IV—News Summary.

Full Bulletin ..... 8.00 p.m.

Trans. V—News Summary.

Full Bulletin ..... 10.00 p.m.

Trans. VI—News Summary.

Full Bulletin ..... 12.00 mid-night.

Trans. VII—News Summary.

Full Bulletin ..... 2.00 a.m.

Trans. VIII—News Summary.

Full Bulletin ..... 4.00 a.m.

Trans. IX—News Summary.

Full Bulletin ..... 6.00 a.m.

Trans. X—News Summary.

Full Bulletin ..... 8.00 a.m.

## ROTARY MOVEMENT TO HELP STREET BOYS

Rotary is coming to the aid of street boys in Singapore, and at the conference of Rotarians which is being held over the Easter holidays, one of the main topics of discussion will be the "After-school Care of Boys."

Representatives of all educational bodies in Singapore and clubs interested in the welfare of boys of all races and creeds are being invited to take part in the discussion, and it is hoped that, as in the case of Malacca and Penang, the Rotary movement will help to put street boys on their feet in Singapore.

A Youth Welfare Committee may come into existence, as a result of the forthcoming deliberations, as a prelude to the setting up of a Boys' Club open to the youth of all races.

To save boys of their community from being influenced by undesirable elements in Singapore, the Straits born Chinese have already formed a committee. The Committee is already busy on the task before it.

The Rotary movement aims not at helping only one section of the community but every boy who needs assistance and advice.

### IDEA NOT NEW

The idea of forming a Boys' Club in Singapore is by no means a new one. A number of public-spirited men got together some time ago in an effort to improve the lot of boys who have no homes to go to and who loiter about the streets.

The scheme had good support from community leaders, but obtaining suitable grounds and premises for a Boys' Club was a problem.

The outbreak of the war interfered with the plans, and the whole scheme had to be held in abeyance as the sponsors considered that war had made the time inopportune for Government to be called upon to help.

It is probable that the interest taken by Rotarians in the well-being of street boys may result in some action being taken independently of Government assistance.

Rotary has helped many deserving causes, and a Street Boys' list.

## A.R.P. ORDERS

"A.R.P. Orders issued by Wing Commander A. H. S. Steele-Perrins, O.B.E., Director of Air Raid Precautions.

### ADMINISTRATION

"It is notified for the information of all concerned, that an Ordinance (No. 6 of 1940) to provide for the establishment and regulation of the Hongkong Corps of Air Raid Wardens was passed by the Legislative Council of Hongkong on March 14, 1940."

Copies of the Ordinance will be issued to Divisional and District Wardens as soon as they are available.

### RE-ORGANIZATION OF DIVISIONS

In future the A.R.P. Divisions on the Island of Hongkong will have the same boundaries and bear the same names and abbreviations as the corresponding Police Districts. The A.R.P. Divisions are now as follows:

Central Division "C." Report Centre, Central Police Station.

Upper Levels Division "UL." Report Centre, Upper Levels Police Station.

Gough Hill Division "G.H." Report Centre, Gough Hill Police Station.

Western Division "W." Report Centre, No. 7 Sai Ying Pun Police Station.

Pokfulam Division "P." Report Centre, No. 7 Sai Ying Pun Police Station.

Aberdeen Division "A." Report Centre, Aberdeen Police Station.

Eastern Division "E." Report Centre, No. 2 Wan Chai, P.S.

Bay View Division "B.V." Report Centre, Bay View Police Station.

Shaukiwan Division "S." Report Centre, Shaukiwan Police Station.

Quarry Bay Division "Q.B." Report Centre, Shaukiwan Police Station.

Stanley Division "S." Report Centre, Stanley Police Station.

Divisional Wardens have been informed of the boundaries of their Divisions.

### EXAMINATION

Instructors' Course in English, under Syllabus "B." An examination for candidates who attended D. W. Hume's class will be held at Club Lusitano, Ice House Street, on the following dates at 5.45 p.m.

Part I.—March 28.

Part II.—March 27.

Part III.—March 28.

Wardens' Class (in Chinese)

(Sgd.) H. W. LEYDEN,  
Warden Instructor.

## KWANGTUNG TO ADOPT NEW HSIEN SYSTEM

SHIUKWAN March 25 (Central)—The Kwangtung Provincial Government has decided to adopt the new hsiem system to promote a more democratic local government.

The reform programme entitled "Outline for the Organisation of Various Grades of Hsiem Government" promulgated by the National Government on September 19, 1939, calls for the creation of representative assemblies in all small administrative units within the hsiem which is equivalent to a county. These representative assemblies will be empowered to elect the administrators of these units.

Public schools will be opened in different units and special committees will be formed to supervise reconstruction work.

It has been decided that Kukong will initiate the reform programme as from April 1 while other hsiens will follow.

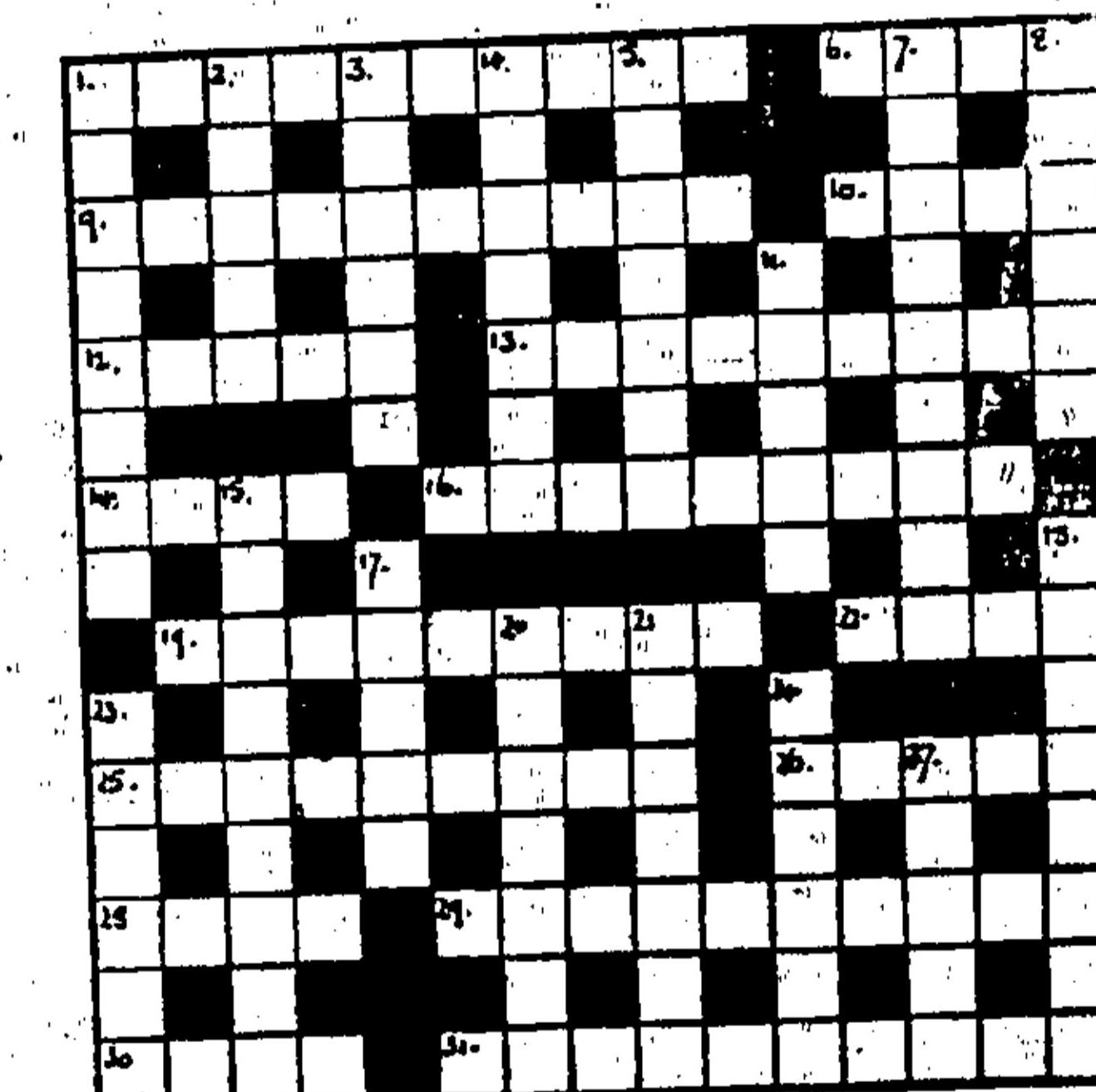
## INDECENT ASSAULT ALLEGED

A 33-year-old Canadian, Joseph Refree, Alexander Curroote, described as a religious worker, appeared at Kowloon Court on remand before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen yesterday morning on a charge of indecent assault.

The charge arises out of an alleged incident at the Trocadero Hotel, Peking Road, on March 24.

Mr. J. M. D'Almada, Remedios appeared for defendant, who was remanded for a week on bail of \$500. Defendant pleaded not guilty.

## CROSSWORD NO. 566

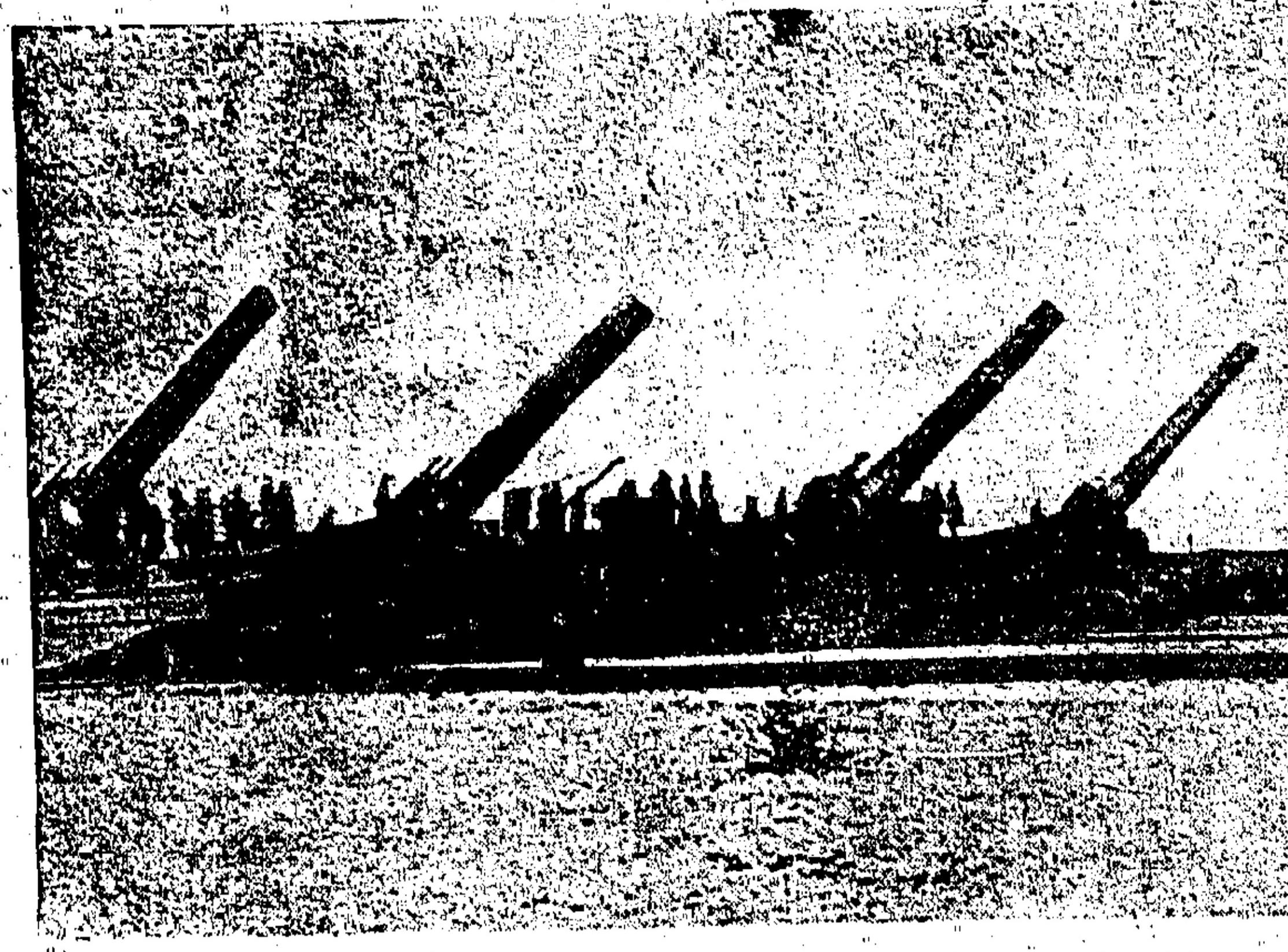


### ACROSS

1. A light of salvation to the miner (2 words, 6, 4).
6. "Frame is the—that the clear spirit doth raise."
9. A Rummy Tile (anag.).
10. Bred from bread?
12. Verse in pattern.
13. There is peace in the heart of the serpent.
14. Quite a small creature to give the scientist a start.
16. Name of a play within a play.
19. Strip.
22. The Classic "Nippy?"
23. Batsman's occasional bonus.
24. Cleric.
25. Smolett called Johnson the Great, one of Literature.
29. Once housed the Ark.
30. They are the last resort of the hairless.
31. "Knacks; trifles, nosegays, sweetmeats.—Of strong prevalence in unhardened youth."

### SOLUTION TOMORROW

Solution No. 565  
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## FOUR SUGGESTIONS FOR CHINA'S CONSTITUTION

CHUNGKING, Mar. 24 (Central)—The Hunan People's Assembly

has made four suggestions to the National Government regarding the problem of China's Constitution.

First, political tutelage should be continued after the introduction of constitutional government.

Second, the Constitution drafted by the Legislative Yuan should be submitted to the People's Congress to be convened on November 12 for examination and adoption.

Third, delegates to the People's Congress who were elected prior to the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese hostilities and are found to have affiliated with traitors should be expelled.

Fourth, the sole duty of the People's Congress to be convened on November 12 should be to adopt the Constitution while a new People's Congress should be formed to exercise the rights provided in the Constitution.

## AIR SERVICE FROM ENGLAND TO U.S.A. TO START IN JUNE

With the approval of the Government, Imperial Airways are to open Atlantic Air service as soon as Botwood, Newfoundland, is ice-free—which should be at the beginning of June.

This means a two months' earlier start than last year. Mail will be flown at least once a week and possibly passengers will also be carried.

The service will be extended from Foynes to a British airport, to bring the terminus within easy reach of London. Negotiations between Imperial Airways and the Government on the subject of aircraft to be used are going on.

The service will form the only direct air link between this country and the U. S. A. and Canada. It will provide quick means of keeping personal contact between high officials of the British, American and Canadian Governments.

America does not allow her Clipper service to fly direct to Ireland, because it was decided that Foynes, the Irish terminus, is in the war zone. Lisbon is the European terminus of the service.

There have been no flying-boats to spare to ferry Atlantic passengers for Britain from Lisbon to this country. Land machines are out of the question because General Franco will not allow them to fly over Spain.

Thus passengers to Britain take a further 60 hours to cover the last 1000 miles to London; they have to travel in three trains and one airplane, and have to pass through four customs examinations—Portugal, Spain, France, and Britain.

Germany has not abandoned any of her peace-time air routes, except those to Allied countries. She is intensifying her commercial air activities.

Mr. Hooper said that the Bible Society in India was organised in a number of auxiliaries with headquarters in the large cities such as Bombay, Calcutta and Madras. Each auxiliary was managed by a Secretary and a strong Committee representative of all Churches. The object of the Society was to circulate Scriptures, and the annual circulation throughout was over eleven millions, while in India alone the circulation was one and a quarter million.

The Society had translated and circulated the Bible in 736 languages, of which about a hundred were in Indian languages.

Mr. Hooper said that last year, the Bible had been translated into nine new languages. These were mostly African languages.

The Society, he said, was issuing copies of the New Testament to all the fighting forces with a special message from the King. A special service fund had been initiated for this purpose, and subscriptions were invited from the public.

"Another thing I hate about Hitler is his silly moustache." —(Men Only, London).

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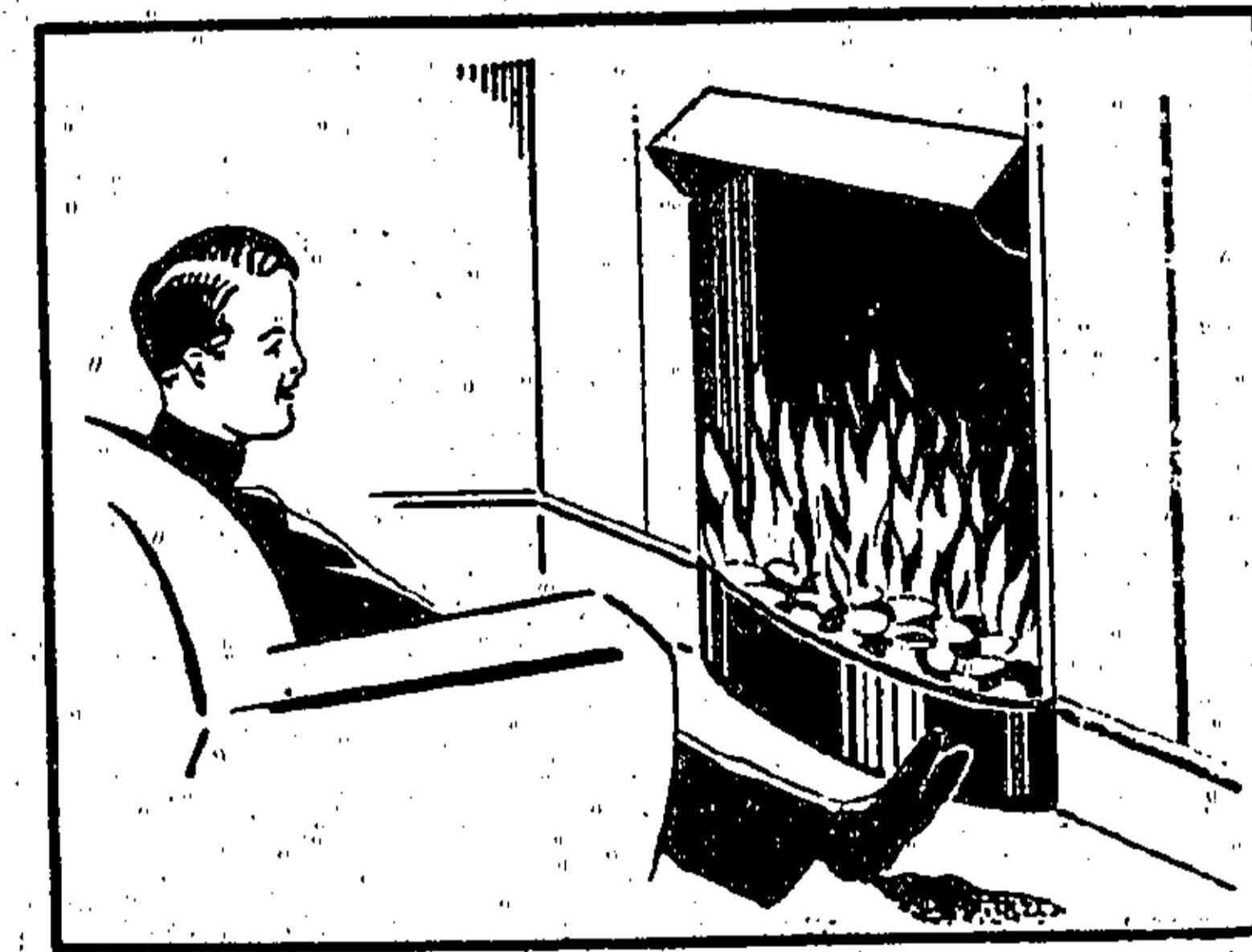
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"After many hours' search the first lifeboat returned without having found any trace of them.

A second lifeboat was out for ten hours, but saw neither crew nor tanker.

The tanker was damaged by an explosion, but "there is no information how the explosion occurred."—(Daily Sketch).

## RACE MEETING

Continued From Page 2

	Win.	Place
Fair Chance	197	161
Franklin	840	811
Income Tax	115	160
Many Thanks	978	995
Maple Star	615	687
Nancy Lee	18	65
Pumelo	94	144
Rowan	1,587	1,225
Shuttlecock	128	184
	4,570	4,412

## RACE FOUR

Humdrum Eve was in front as the field raced past the stands, with Bear Claw, Rob Roy and Rose Emily in close attendance. In the back stretch Rose Emily moved up and was in front at the rock, with Humdrum Eve and O-Lan following. Bear Claw, second favourite, weakened. Rose Emily led into the straight closely followed by Rob Roy.

In the home run O-Lan, favourite, came up in the middle and went on to win easily. Rose Emily was second. Rob Roy, least fancied, weakened and finished in the ruck, while Red Feather, outsider, came up in a last minute dash to take third place. Avon, fourth in demand and Humdrum Eve finished almost level for fourth position. The much fancied Hyndford Bridge, was never prominent.

4.—3.00 p.m.—Boa Vista Handicap (About One Mile 171 Yards).

Mr. T. K. L's O-Lan, 188 lbs. (Mr. P. P. Botelho) 1 Mr. Eu Tong-sen's Rose Emily, 145 lbs. (Mr. Poy) 2 Miss Li Po-chun's Red Feather, 161 lbs. (Mr. Wei) 3 Won by three lengths, neck between second and third.

Time: 2.12.2  
Parimutuel:—

Winner: \$14.10.  
Places: \$8.20, \$12.40, \$14.60.

Also ran:—Avon 148 lbs. (H. J. A. Hearne); Bear Claw 164 (D. Black); Humdrum Eve 140 (H. C. Pih); Hyndford Bridge 153 (Needa); Rob Roy 143 (Ip Kui-ying).

Betting

	Win.	Place
Avon	514	677
Bear Claw	1,040	1,082
Humdrum Eve	157	237
Hyndford Bridge	788	599
O-Lan	1,499	1,144
Red Feather	229	381
Rob Roy	72	173
Rose Emily	483	495
	4,782	4,783

## RACE FIVE

White Diamond, very hot favourite, took the lead from the start and maintained it to the end, beating Hopeful Star, next in demand, who was second all the way, by two lengths. Eve of Hunting was third to the distance when she was overtaken by Oonagh, third favourite, who came up on the outside, to take third place. Eve of Hunting was fourth. Eve of Folly, though fairly well-fancied, never had a chance.

5.—3.30 p.m.—Sugar Loaf Stakes—(Six Furlongs)

Mr. Diamond's White Diamond, 158 lbs. (Mr. Pih) 1 Kong Bros' Hopeful Star, 159 lbs. (Mr. Hearne) 2 Mr. T. K. L's Oonagh, 150 lbs. (Mr. Needa) 3 Won by four lengths, two lengths between second and third.

Time: 1.28.1  
Parimutuel:—

Winner: \$7.70.  
Places: \$5.30, \$5.70, \$5.70.

Also ran:—Blue Field 151 lbs. (P. Y. T. Wei); Blue Gate 151 (L. B. Chao); Care Free 151 (W. G. Poy); Emergency Unit (late stage) 145 (Tang Man-wa); Eve of Dancing 146 (R. M. Wood); Eve of Folly 151 (B. A. Proulx); Eve of Hunting 151 (A. D. Coppin); Eve of Peace 143 (Hoo Pak-ming); Jane Doe 151 (D. Black); Ojibway 151 (S. W. Tang); Rose Charming 151 (Ip Kui-ying).

Betting

	Win.	Place
Blue Field	31	88
Blue Gate	27	54
Care Free	22	47
Emergency Unit	2	13
Eve of Dancing	14	107
Eve of Folly	112	310
Eve of Hunting	7	28
Eve of Peace	3	9
Hopeful Star	797	723
Jane Doe	33	95
Ojibway	14	40
Oonagh	609	719
Rose Charming	9	23
White Diamond	2,263	1,894
	3,943	4,150

## RACE SIX

Desert Star and Golden Cow were prominent in the early stages. In the back stretch Wil-

ber and Some Hope moved up. Wilber, favourite, was first at the home bend and was well in front at the distance when West Lake came up in a good spurt and finished second, a short head behind. Some Hope was third. Golden Cow, second in demand weakened badly and finished last, while Smiling Time and Salvage Master, the next in demand, respectively, made no impression.

6.—4.00 p.m.—Pokfulam Handicap (About One Mile 171 Yards)

Marber I's Wilber, 140 lbs. (Mr. Ho Hong-ping) 1

Mr. S. W. Lee's West Lake, 153 lbs. (Mr. Yeung Wing-kwai) 2

Mr. Lucky's Some Hope, 155 lbs. (Mr. A. D. Coppin) 3

Won by short head, three lengths between second and third.

Time: 2.25.1  
Parimutuel:—

Winner: \$13.60.  
Places: \$8.20, \$23.40, \$18.50.

Also ran:—Desert Star 145 lbs. (H. A. da Botelho); Georgie 144 (R. M. Wood); Gog 145 (O. R. Sedich); Golden Cow 140 (Chu Ki-fan); Heddon 140 (R. K. C. Chu); Piet Hein 155 (F. A. Sequiera); Salvage Master 168 (Hoo Pak-ming); Smiling Time 150 (G. Treverton); Wild Bear 140 (Chanson Feng).

Betting

	Win.	Place
Desert Star	153	158
Georgie	25	61
Gog	42	126
Golden Cow	956	836
Heddon	41	705
Piet Hein	141	189
Salvage Master	414	432
Smiling Time	723	808
Some Hope	216	276
West Lake	187	202
Wilber	1,395	1,154
Wild Bear	4	30
	4,297	4,377

## RACE SEVEN

A Roaring Time, Annabella and Murrumbidgee were in front when the field passed the stands, and into the back stretch. At the rock, Murrumbidgee, favourites took command, and leading into the straight went on to win comfortably. Sydney Lad and Vixen Thor, two outsiders came up in the straight to fill the remaining orders' bourses, while A Roaring Time and Annabella, second favourite, finished in the ruck.

Centre Court, third favourite, was never prominent.

7.—Calliope Handicap—"C" Class (6 Furlongs)

Mr. G. Tinson's Vixen Tor, 159 lbs. (Mr. Davis) 3

Won by half-length, the same between second and third.

Time: 1.21.4  
Parimutuel:—

Winner: \$48.30.  
Places: \$23, \$18.40, \$11.

Also ran:—Discovery Bay, 151 lbs. (S. L. Yuen); Heinz, 140 (S. W. Tang); National Victory, 160 (Yeung Wing-kwai); Piccadilly Jim, 152 (W. G. Poy); Roofly, 165 (W. H. S. Davis); Ruby Star, 148 (H. J. A. Hearne); Twilight Star, 182 (S. W. Pan).

Betting

	Win.	Place
Bruno	528	277
Discovery Bay	191	248
Heinz	317	378
National Victory	16	29
Perola d'Oriente	310	372
Piccadilly Jim	376	318
Roofly	312	369
Ruby Star	2,218	1,795
Twilight Star	453	447
Vixen Tor	1,058	832
	5,781	5,005

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Parimutuel:—

Winner: \$10.10.  
Places: \$7.30, \$32.80, \$43.60.

Also ran:—A Great Time, 165 lbs. (B. L. Tao); Ajax, 155 (S. C. Liang); Annabella, 155 (L. B. Chao); A Roaring Time, 155 (P. Y. T. Wei); Centre Court, 145 (V. V. Needa); Cockleroi, 160 (G. Treverton); Double Finesse, 162 (Tang Man-wa); Snowy River, 149 (C. F. Chiu).

Betting

	Win.	Place
A Great Time	75	89
Ajax	253	422
Annabella	898	749
A Roaring Time	459	686
Centre Court	770	683
Cockleroi	120	138
Double Finesse	10	25
Murrumbidgee	2,205	1,680
Snowy River	39	93
Sydney Lad	125	139
Vixen Tor	89	100
	5,043	4,773

## RACE EIGHT

Jennifer, took the lead from the start and maintained it to the end, despite a strong challenge in the home run from Jober, who was second. These two ponies carried nearly all the money on the parimutuel. King Kong next in demand, was third and Peaceful View fourth, while Musketeer was last. Rose Jane, though well-fancied, was never in the picture.

8.—Boa Vista Handicap—2nd Sec.

"B" Class (From the Two Miles Post Once Round & In)

"Quarter Master's" Jennifer, 156 lbs. (Mr. Black) 1

Mr. Marber's Jober, 154 lbs. (Mr. Chao) 2

Mr. Cocoa's King Kong, 161 lbs. (Mr. H. M. Botelho) 3

Won by a head, two lengths between second and third.

Time: 2.13.2  
Parimutuel:—

Winner: \$12.80.  
Places: \$6.80, \$5.90, \$7.10.

Also ran:—Musketeer, 140 lbs. (C. F. Chiu); Peaceful View, 151 (H. C. Pih); Rose Flana, 137 (S. W. Leg); Rose Jane, 140 (W. G. Poy).

Betting

	Win.	Place
Blue Field	31	88
Blue Gate	27	54
Care Free	22	47
Emergency Unit	2	13
Eve of Dancing	14	107
Eve of Folly	112	310
Eve of Hunting	7	28
Eve of Peace	3	9
Hopeful Star	797	723
Jane Doe	33	95
Ojibway	14	40
Oonagh	609	719
Rose Charming	9	23
White Diamond	2,263	1,894
	3,943	4,150

## RACE SIX

Desert Star and Golden Cow were prominent in the early stages. In the back stretch Wil-



Picture shows the rear portion of No. 42 Lyndhurst Terrace which collapsed during the heavy rain early on Saturday morning.

## Betting

	Win.	Place
Jennifer	2,080	1,111
Jober	2,117	1,461
King Kong	806	847
Musketeer	52	146
Peaceful View	458	454
Rose Flana	16	84
Rose Jane	526	

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

## ADVERTISEMENTS

G. &amp; R.

## TENDERS FOR WASTE PAPER.

Sealed tenders are invited covering the period 1st May, 1940, to 31st March, 1941, for quantities of Waste Paper that may be periodically accumulated in H.M. Naval Yard, Hong Kong.

2. The paper to be collected weekly each Wednesday by Contractor from a central point in H.M. Naval Yard.

3. The paper will consist mainly of small pieces, but no guarantee can be given as to the quality or quantity that may be available each week.

4. The contractor will be required to provide his own sacks for the removal of the paper.

5. Quotations will be received until noon on 8th April, 1940, and should be forwarded to the Naval Store Officer, H.M. Naval Yard.

6. The right is reserved of accepting or declining any tender.

## HONG KONG &amp; WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Office of the Company, No. 2 Queen's Building, Hong Kong, on Tuesday, 26th March, 1940, at noon for the consideration of the Directors' Report and Balance Sheet for the year ending 31st December, 1939.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 15th to 26th March, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

E. COCK.  
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 27th Feb. 1940.

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## THE HONG KONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

## THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN &amp; MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Forty Third Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders will be held in the Jacobean Room of the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on THURSDAY, the 28th March, 1940, at NOON for the following purposes, namely, to consider the annual statement of accounts and the balance sheet and the reports of the Directors and Auditors thereon, to elect directors and auditors in the place of those retiring, to declare a dividend, to appropriate the balance of Profit & Loss A/C as recommended by the Directors, and to transact any other ordinary business of the Company.

AND NOTICE is also given that the Share Transfer Registers will be closed from 18th March, 1940, to 28th March, 1940, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board,  
R. A. WICKERSON,  
Secretary & Manager.

Hong Kong, 12th March, 1940.

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## THE HONG KONG &amp; SHANGHAI HOTELS, LIMITED.

(Incorporated in Hong Kong)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders of The Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels, Limited, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company (Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong), on Wednesday, the 17th day of April, 1940, at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors for the year ended on the 31st December, 1939, confirming the appointment of a Director and re-electing a Director and the Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Wednesday, the 3rd April, 1940, to Wednesday, the 17th April, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,  
F. C. BARRY,  
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 15th March, 1940.

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## DEATH

ADSHEAD—London, on March 10, 1940. Surgeon Captain G. P. Adshead, R.N. (Rtd.), beloved husband of Olive (née Orme), "Lye Mead" Ditchling, Sussex. 1353

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HONGKONG, MARCH 26, 1940

## PUPPETS AND POWERS

THE FORMAL ANNOUNCEMENT, at long last, that the Wang Ching-wei "Government" will make its bow on March 30, ushers in a new stage in the diplomatic history of the Sino-Japanese war, a stage in which the invaders will do their best to persuade the world that two Chinese governments exist and that the country's struggle against enslavement is no more than a factional civil war. After much grooming, the traitor Wang makes his appearance in the rôle of a Chinese France through whom the Japanese will fish for international support on an "anti-Red" platform, as Italy and Germany did through the bloodthirsty dictator of Spain.

THAT THE NANKING REGIME is composed of traitors like Wang Ching-wei, assassins like Ting Mo-chun, and international spies like Chow Fu-hai is no guarantee that those in charge of Third Power interests on the spot will hesitate to deal with it on local, and perhaps more than local issues. There is plenty of precedent in the Customs and Outside Roads agreements and in the happenings at Tientsin. Japan remembers that the British Government saw fit, while still maintaining normal relations with the Spanish Republic, to send Sir Roger Hodgson as Agent to Burgos, and hopes, by referring all international issues concerning the occupied territories to the puppet administration for "action," to create a similar position in Nanking. The next step will be to attempt to secure for Wang the status of a belligerent. Thus, gradually, Japan will try to tie foreign countries, through concrete relations, to the wheels of her "New Order."

UNFOR TUNATELY for Tokyo, the Chinese Franco is not likely to have the luck of his Spanish prototype. Free China has many advantages over the martyred Spanish Republic—ample human resources, a vast territory, effective communications, and a tired enemy who has already extended himself to the limit of his resources, and a better international position. Her Government continues to maintain good relations with all Powers, and the official attitude of the United States and, more moderately, of Britain is that assistance to Chungking is the best counter-weight to Japanese aggression at the expense of their interests. The support of the Soviet Union is both outspoken and active, and increased Sino-Soviet trade not only redresses China's commercial balance but brings her substantial quantities of much-needed motor-fuel and arms. Nazi Germany, Japan's erstwhile axis partner, contributes to the strengthening of Free China.

ALTHOUGH it is obvious that the parallel actions of all these Powers tending to strengthen China do not signify any kind of "united front" between them in Far Eastern policy or in any other respect, Japan and her puppets are still in no position to

## EDITORIAL

## CHINESE ANALYSIS OF WORLD AFFAIRS

## Dr. S. I. Hsiung's Broadcast On Recent Developments In International Field

The Z.B.W.3 and Z.E.K. broadcast a talk in Chinese by Dr. S. I. Hsiung, at 6 p.m. on Sunday. Dr. Hsiung who is at present sojourning in England is one of China's well-known authors. His work "Lady Precious Stream" has been enacted on the stages throughout the world. The following is a translation of his talk:

Recently naval activities figured prominently in Europe. London, with peacetime magnificence of civic state, paid honour to the men of the "Ajax" and "Exeter" for their victory over the German battleship "Graf Spee."

As you know, the "Graf Spee" was a commerce raider which had captured and sunk seven British merchantmen before she met with the cruisers "Ajax," "Exeter" and "Achilles." She was badly damaged in her first battle with the British Navy, and when she found it was impossible to escape, she scuttled herself. Before she went down she had imprisoned three hundred British sailors whom she had captured from her seven victims, in an auxiliary ship, the "Altmark."

That celebration was rendered doubly happy to the English public by the rescue of those three hundred prisoners from the "Altmark" though the Norwegian Government thought the British Navy had violated international law by boarding the German ship in Norwegian territorial waters.

## NAZI TACTICS:

Whether the "Altmark" was meant to pass as a naval vessel or as a merchantman was a riddle. Typical of Nazi tactics, she was at first disguised as a Norwegian ship flying the Norwegian flag. Later, she was transformed into an American vessel, and towards the end she was painted grey, to look like a British ship. When she approached Norway she tried to gain the German coast by passing through the blockade via Norwegian territorial waters and claiming the rights of an ordinary merchantman. But when the Norwegian Customs Authority, not satisfied with the attitude of her own navy, wanted to search the ship, the Captain, saying it was a "state" warship, refused to be examined!

Before the British Admiralty ordered H.M.S. "Cossack" to rescue the prisoners from the "Altmark" the Norwegian authorities had been approached by the British Navy with a request to search for the imprisoned sailors. After being expressly told that no prisoners were on board, the boarding party from H.M.S. "Cossack" was ordered to the rescue.

It was regrettable that several members of the crew

use any possible rift to gain their full objectives. It is an even bet that the new "Central Government" will not survive the vicissitudes of the coming months and years.

THIS DOES NOT MEAN, however, that the situation is devoid of dangerous possibilities. The diplomatic dummy that Japan has erected is meant not only for the beguilement of innocents but to provide a rallying point for existing pro-Japanese elements in the capitals of the West which, although they are not able to control policy, will be given a possibility of becoming much more vocal than they have been hitherto.

WHILE it is unlikely that the Powers will surrender to Japan, a position may be created in which the opportunities created by Tokyo diplomacy will be used to pave the way for a "moderate" deal at the expense of China.

AS ALWAYS, public opinion will play an important role. And friends of China in foreign countries will readily realize that what is required of them at this moment is to keep a vigilant watch on their Governments, expose any disposition to deal with the puppets, and, by insisting that the only two capitals in the Far East are Chungking and Tokyo, and failing Japan's new manoeuvre at its root.

Besides a research fund of £500,000 a year, the Government

TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 1940.

## Arrivals And Departures

## CORRESPONDENCE

## WOMEN'S A.R.P. UNION

The Editor, Hongkong Daily Press  
Sir, I shall be glad if you will publish the following in your Paper:

"The Women's Air Raid Precautions Union has now been working quietly and steadily for nearly two years, its original object being to educate the women to the needs of Air Raid Precautions."

## ARRIVALS

Among the arrivals were: Monsieur Andre Negre, of the French Consulate, en route to his post in Chungking; Mr. R. H. Ball, Director of the Yee Tsong Tobacco Company of Shanghai, on his return trip to the Colony; Mr. A. H. Walker, Construction Engineer for the British Reinforced Concrete Engineering Co. Ltd., in Hongkong as the Export Manager; Mr. R. B. Chapman, Engineer for National Carbon Company in Kowloon, returning from a trip to Shanghai accompanied by Mrs. Chapman; Mr. H. L. Hollingsworth of the National Carbon Company, Shanghai office, in Hongkong on business; Mr. R. A. Whiteside, who is the Accountant for the local British American Tobacco Co. (China) Ltd.; and Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Miller, Jr., old China residents en route to Free China, where they teach in a Missionary School.

## MANILA CONVENTION

A big religious convention of the Provincial Chapter of the Order of Augustinian Recollects is to be held in Manila. It takes place once in three years, and over twenty ecclesiastical delegates are expected to attend for 1940.

Hailing all the way from South America comes the Rev. Father A. Latore, Superior of the entire Order of St. Augustine in Venezuela, accompanied by Rev. Father A. Saenz, Superior of the Church of St. Augustine in Caracas, Venezuela, as delegates to the convention.

On board was also the Shanghai representative, Rev. Father L. Sierra. Recollects Procurator of the Order of St. Augustine in Shanghai. Rev. Father F. Manus, a U. S. Navy Chaplain, is also en route to Manila.

## U.S. NAVY PERSONNEL

Passing through Hongkong for the Philippines were several of the personnel of the United States Navy:—Comdr. H. B. Slocum, Lt. Comdr. and Mrs. W. Kurts, Encls. C. Joyce, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Schweizer and son, Lt. Comdr. L. H. Winn, and Mr. E. V. Vlachas.

## IN TRANSIT

In transit for distant places are:—Mr. Robert Grinnell, Vice Consul, United States Department, en route to Singapore for duty; Rev. and Mrs. F. L. Beals and family, American missionaries to Bombay, India; Mr. T. F. Harris, geologist on the way to Persia, and Mrs. Harris; Mrs. A. H. Arlett, Professor in the University of Cincinnati on a round-the-world tour; Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Archer, en route to Singapore, where Mr. Archer is the Far Eastern Representative for the Underwood Elliot Fisher Co.; Mr. C. B. Marshall, en route to Colombo, Ceylon, and thence to Calcutta as an executive of the Standard Vacuum Oil Co.; Mr. Mungo Park, Director of Park and Francis Ltd., Consulting Engineers, Kuala Lumpur, F.M.S., en route to Singapore; Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Hochberg en route to Manila, P.I., where Mr. Hochberg is the Division Superintendent of the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co.; Mr. and Mrs. W. F. New on the way to Singapore, where Mr. New is Far Eastern and Malayan Manager for Dickinson Co. Ltd., manufacturers of paper; Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Redfern for Manila from Shanghai; Mr. Redfern is Sugar Buyer for Warner Barnes Co.; Mrs. R. W. Mossman and daughter, of the Standard Vacuum Oil Co., headed for the far-distant Bahrain Island, in the Persian Gulf, right off the Arabian Coast; and Dr. and Mrs. A. E. Geschke, and son, en route to Bangkok, Siam, via Penang, where Dr. Geschke is taking up the study of tropical medicine.

has granted a yearly Colonial Development Fund of £500,000 for at least ten years. The best of the thing is that the social service point of view has at last gained official recognition.

WEST INDIA COMMISSION: The recommendations of the West India Royal Commission were published this week. Following this, Mr. Malcolm Macdonald, the Secretary of State for the Colonies, made a statement of policy on Colonial development and welfare. It was good news to hear that though it has been assumed in some quarters that action on the recommendations would be postponed until after the war, Mr. Macdonald assured the public that "the Government propose no such delay."

The Government allows the money to be used for capital expenditure and, above all, for the maintenance and upkeep of educational, health and housing schemes and institutions.

For years past the grant has been only a yearly fund of £1,000,000 and that was limited to helping the capital expenditure. If a place could not find, on its own resources, an annual income to pay for the staff and upkeep of a certain institution, the help through the fund would be as good as useless. Now, with this new principle, we know certain

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Yours faithfully,  
GWEN F. STEELE-PERKINS  
Chairman,  
Women's Air Raid Precautions Union.

## UNCLAIMED

## TELEGRAMS

The following unclaimed telegrams are lying at Cable & Wireless Ltd., Hongkong Branch.  
Via Cable:—R 9585/15 Anna Cooley 18 Village Road 4th floor, Kuanlaihpur.

Via Radio:—15174/FH132/29 O'Connor Amexco, Kienow.

The annual meeting of the Social Service Centre of the Churches will be held on Thursday, March 28, at 5.30 p.m. at St. John's Cathedral Hall.

# EVIL FORCES MUST BE OVERTHROWN TO SAVE HUMANITY



## TWO STRIKING ADDRESSES

VATICAN CITY, Mar. 25 (Reuter)—In a Latin Homily at High Mass at St. Peter's the Pope painted a sombre picture of the errors and scourges, especially the war now afflicting the world.

He called on all men to conform to the Christian virtues taught by their Saviour as "the only remedy for the moral, social and economic disorders from which all nations are suffering."

The Pope looked forward to the day when the forces of evil would be dissipated by God's aid and humanity would be once more at one.

### POWERS OF EVIL

LONDON, Mar. 25 (Reuter)—The Archbishop of Canterbury, preaching in Canterbury, said that at no time within the last 1,700 years had the powers of evil been more active and more insidious.

"It is truly a spectacle of humanity suffering on the bitter cross. We do not believe it is God's will that this reign of brute force should continue and we cannot doubt that it is in accordance with God's will that Britain and the Allies should do their utmost, regardless of the cost, to end this evil," he declared.

### NEW ORDER

After the overthrow of the Powers of evil, embodied in Germany's present rulers, and winning back the lands they had ravaged, it would be vital to build on the ground thus cleared a new and better order of human life.

The Archbishop warned his listeners, however, that they could not be content on destroying the powers of evil in the shape of Herr Hitler and his gang. They might merely be creating a desert and calling it peace.



ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY

## NAZI COLLIER CAPTAIN NOW PRISONER

COPENHAGEN, Mar. 25 (Reuter)

The German ship Edmund Hugo Stinnes was reported to have been en route from a Danish harp when she was stopped by two submarines. (See page 11).

Warning shots were fired but the steamer did not stop until the fourth shell penetrated the ship wounding the Second Officer and a steward.

British sailors immediately boarded the steamer and took the Captain prisoner, gave the crew fifteen minutes to leave, and then sank the ship.

### NORWEGIAN STATEMENT

OSLO, Mar. 25 (Reuter)—The Norwegian Admiralty issued a statement saying that a German trawler at Hustadviken reported on Thursday that she was threatened by British destroyer.

A cargo boat was escorted by a Norwegian torpedo-boat when the British destroyer signalled, asking for the name of the German steamer. The Norwegian torpedo-boat obtained withdrawal of the destroyer from Norwegian territorial waters.

The Norwegian Legation in London has been instructed to protest.

On Friday the statement continues, a British destroyer tried to stop a German ship in Norwegian territorial waters near Obrestad. The case is being investigated by the Norwegian authorities.

## FLIGHT BY R.A.F. OVER GERMANY

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## SPECIAL COMPANIES LAW ANNOUNCED

CHUNGKING, Mar. 25 (Central)

—The National Government has promulgated a set of law governing the organization of joint Government and private limited liability companies.

Under the law, Chinese or foreign concerns or individuals may participate in the capitalization of these special companies.

The law provides, however, that in the case of foreign participated companies, at least more than 50 percent of the shares are to be Chinese owned, and more than half of the members of the board are to be Chinese.

The chairmanship and general management of the company are also to be held by Chinese.

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## CABLES

## AMBIGUOUS COMMENT BY TIMES ON WANG REGIME

LONDON, Mar. 25 (Reuter)—Even the gravity of the situation in Europe cannot distract attention altogether from the important events taking place in the Far East, says The Times in an editorial referring to the establishment of the new Chinese regime on March 30.

After reviewing the events leading up to the establishment of Wang Ching-wei's "government," The Times says: "It is doubtful whether the Japanese agreed to give Wang Ching-wei full powers in the northern provinces.

"The chief importance of the new administration is that by promising to recognize it the Japanese Government has made a carefully planned peace move which they believe will completely change the situation. The grounds for their optimism are not yet clear.

"The Chungking Government have no intention of surrendering their belief that they have enough munitions to carry on the struggle for a long time and the Japanese are not in a position to extend their long lines of communication farther into the interior."

"More significant is the fact that the National Government is still able to levy and receive taxes from great parts of the provinces, nominally in Japanese hands, and all these circumstances must inspire doubts regarding the success of the experiment of establishing a new Nanking Government as a middle term between Tokyo and Chungking and the experiment must be regarded here, for the moment, more with interest than with confidence."

### WANG KIDNAPS OPPONENTS

CHUNGKING, Mar. 25 (Central)

—A Shanghai message states that more than 100 patriotic Chinese men and women loyal to the National Government have been kidnapped by Wang Ching-wei's gang and are being detained in a concentration camp in Nanking, where they are leading virtually prisoners' life.

All letters to and from these detained people are subject to strict censor by Wang's agents, while their movements, even inside the camp, are watched.

### PRINTERS ASK FOR WAR BONUS

The British Federation of Master Printers issued the following statement recently:

"At the request of the Printing and Kindred Trades Federation a conference took place on Jan. 3 between the executive committee of the Printing and Kindred Trades Federation and representatives of the British Federation of Master Printers and the Newspaper Society."

"Mr. G. A. Isaacs, president of the P. and K.T.F., made a statement in which a request was made for the payment of a war bonus to the members of its affiliated trade unions.

"Lt.-Col. H. Rivers Fletcher, chairman of the Joint Labour Committee of the B. F. M. P. and the Newspaper Society, made a statement in reply in which he said that the employers' remit in which a request was made for the payment of a war bonus to the members of the B. F. M. P. and the associations of the Newspaper Society, to which the request would be referred.

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### SHOULD THE ALLIES TAKE MORE INTENSIVE ACTION?

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But, with time, this might be made into past history, if Herr Hitler is able to work on the neutrals' desire for peace.

Germany should be represented by different men. Such a change would not bring a guarantee of peace, but it comes first.

### Lighting Experiment Success

Singapore streets are going to be brighter if the suggestion of a Municipal Commissioner is carried into force.

More general use of the new type of street lighting, recently installed by the Municipality on a stretch of Clemenceau Avenue from Newton Circus to the traffic roundabout in Cavanagh Road, is likely following the excellent results obtained from that experiment.

Mercury discharge lamps are used in the new lighting scheme for Clemenceau Avenue. In designing the standards for these lamps, the Municipal Engineer has closely followed the recommendations of the Trimmer Traffic Committee.

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## INDIAN CASTE WEAKENING

### London For Architecture

The effect of education on the caste system in India is among the subjects discussed in "Social Service in India," edited by Sir Edward Blunt, late of the Indian Civil Service, and published by the Stationery Office (10s 6d).

Sir Edward and his six contributors emphasise that an Indian nation is now in the process of formation. Many of the difficulties that impeded its development have disappeared.

The birth of a new Indian nation, it is pointed out, will not necessarily involve the death of caste, but the attitude of the masses towards caste is also beginning to change.

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WOMEN'S DAY OBSERVED  
IN CHUNGKING

More than 5,000 women and girls from all walks of life attended a mass meeting held at the Chuan Tung Normal School compound in celebration of International Women's Day in Chungking.

The part women in China have played in the war and should continue to play with redoubled efforts with a view to securing true emancipation of women constituted the central theme of speech delivered at the meeting.

The meeting was held under the auspices of the Women's Advisory Committee of the New Life Movement Association and among members of the presidium were Madame Feng Yu-hsiang, wife of the vice-chairman of the National Military Council, and Madame Ma Chao-chun, wife of the vice-minister of the Board of Social Welfare of the Central Kuomintang Headquarters.

In the absence of Madame Chung Kai-shick, Madame Feng presided and gave the opening speech in the course of which she emphasized the need for stronger solidarity and greater initiative on the part of women in China in helping their country's cause. Madame Ma followed, and pointed out the achievements in war relief and reconstruction to the credit of women both at the front and in the rear.

The only male speaker was Mr. Lan-yu, vice-minister of the Board of Social Welfare of the Central Kuomintang Headquarters, who served as deputy leader of the troop-comforting mission to the various fronts in Kiangsi, Kwangtung and Kwangsi provinces. He cited the bravery and patriotism with which different women's groups were engaged in all sorts of war relief and troop-comforting work in those war areas.

Chungking's international women's group was represented by Mrs. W. A. McCurdy of the Methodist Mission. The attention of the entire audience was drawn when the chairman announced "Meet our friend from Japan, Miss Midonigawa Eiko." She belongs to the Japanese anti-aggression league and is now working side by side with her Chinese sisters to overthrow the Japanese aggressors.

She began by describing the plight of the oppressed members of her sex in Japan. They are suffering as much as, if not more than, their sisters in China from the tyranny of the Japanese militarists. They were enslaved and driven to prostitution in order to enable the war-crazed Japanese militarists to finance their campaign in China.

They were deprived of their husbands, sons, fathers, uncles and others dear to their hearts and hardly were the bodies or the ashes of the bodies of their beloved sent back to Japan before they had to be sent to China to entertain the Imperial Army.

With men fighting in China, thousand of Japanese women have been forced to work in factories

New World Indoor Record  
For Three - Quarter Mile:  
Charles Fenske's Success

(BY "RECORDEE")

Charles Fenske, of Madison, Wisconsin, holder of the new world indoor record for the 3/4-mile run, is only the second runner to break three minutes for the distance.

First to run the 1,320 Yards under three minutes was Sydney Wooderson, the English mile champion whom Fenske beat in the Mile of the Century race at Princeton, New Jersey, last year. Wooderson ran the three-quarter mile in 2 minutes 59.5 seconds previous to sailing for the U.S.

## BEST PERFORMANCE

Fenske's new indoor record of 2.59.7, established on Monday, in Madison Square Garden, N.Y., ranks with his best performances, and is the culminating effort to an indoor season, in the course of which he won every important Mile race on the indoor card, defeating Cunningham, Venzke, Zamperini, Beccal, San Romani and Deckard. At the Millrose Games at Madison Square Garden on Feb. 3, Fenske won also the fastest mile race in track history. Timed in 4:07.4, his best performance to date, he was followed to the tape by Cunningham (4:07.7), Venzke (4:08.2) and Zamperini (4:08.2). "FIRST SUCCESS"

Fenske first came into prominence when he ran second to Don Lash of Indiana in the Western Conference Mile in 1936. The Wisconsin runner was timed in 4:10.9, a tenth of a second behind Lash.

## FINE CAREER

Here is a brief summary of Fenske's rise to fame:

1937.—In post-Olympic year, Fenske confined his running to the Collegiate arena. He was National Collegiate champion in 4:13.9, and was third in the National 1,500 metres to Cunningham and Jimmy Smith of Indiana.

1938.—Fenske doubled in the half-mile and mile in his third year of collegiate competition, returning best times for the season of 1:52.1 and 4:10.8. He ran fourth in the National Collegiate champion in 4:13.9, and was third in the National 1,500 metres to Cunningham and Jimmy Smith of Indiana.

Zamperini won in 4:08.3, and Fenske was second in 4:09.9. In the National 1,500 Metres, Fenske was second to Cunningham and ahead of San Romani and Zamperini. On a European tour in the summer, Fenske won the 1,500 Metres run in the U.S.A.-Germany athletic meet, and returned, in another race, a best time of 3:49.4 for the distance.

## INDOOR BOARDS

1939.—Fenske competed for the first time on the Indoor boards. He was two yards behind Cunningham in the Wanamaker Mile, and inches behind the Kansan in the Bankers' Mile at the Chicago Relays. He finished third behind Cunningham and Venzke in the National Indoor 1,500 metres ahead of San Romani. He clinched the outdoor track season with a victory in the "Mile of the Century" in 4 minutes 11 seconds.

1940.—Fenske started the 1940 indoor season with three brilliant victories in the Mile. He won the Knights of Columbus Mile (Front Games) in 4:10.3; the Wanamaker Mile (Millrose A. A. Games) in 4:07.4, and the Hunter Mile (Boston A. A. Games) in 4:11.2, defeating three times a field that included Cunningham, Venzke and Zamperini.

## THE IMPERIALISTS

Who gave the women in Japan such suffering? Who plunged them into poverty and misery? Who deprived them of their dear ones? They are those who allowed the soldiers to rape and kill Chinese women. They are the Japanese imperialists. Women in Japan were not born to obey. Amidst oppression and suffering, they cry and bewail and their hearts are seething with revolt.

Today, just as women in China have arisen to active participation in their nation's resistance against the Japanese imperialists, many of their sisters in Japan have joined the anti-aggression league. They are no longer enthusiastic about making the "one thousand stitches" for their soldier-husbands.

## The Japanese anti-aggression

concluded her speech with the slogan, "let all Japanese women join hands with their sisters in China to overthrow the Japanese imperialists."

An old countrywoman, Mrs. Ho Chang-ze, ascended the platform and delivered an appropriate speech as a representative of the families of the soldiers. She is the mother of two soldiers who are both at the front. She said that she has been honored by the government and she feels proud of the privilege to express her gratitude for such honours.

She has a third son whom she will also willingly offer to the state when the opportunity comes and she hopes that all other mothers will do the same. In olden days, they would have been tied to the tail of a cart and whipped down Cheapeide.

It was resolved at the meeting to send a petition to the National Government asking that the new constitution include stipulations that women shall be given equal rights in civil, political, and social fields as well as in the economic field; that women should be given a representation of 30 per cent in the National People's Congress, as well as in the local municipal and provincial people's councils.

After the adjournment of the meeting, all present joined in a parade through the main thoroughfares of the city of Chungking. The city was flagged to mark the occasion. Women workers in factories were given a holiday, while women employees in all government and public offices took the afternoon off to attend the meeting and join in the contest.

MAN WHO WILL  
NOT GRUMBLE

Lord Snell, leader of the Opposition in the House of Lords, giving the first of a series of Sunday war talks by prominent men in London, said:

"I have stopped grumbling for the duration. What is more, as a leader of one of the Parliamentary Oppositions, I have stopped irritating the Government. That is the very heroism of self-sacrifice."

"All civilians should play the game. There are always people who know where they can get an extra pound of butter or an extra gallon of petrol."

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The old lady knitting, the wife and mother keeping the home fires burning, the voluntary workers of all kinds are playing an understanding part in this war. There can be no conscription in such matters, but there can honourably be no deserters."

## The Social Affairs Board of the

Kuomintang has issued a circular to the various provincial and municipal Party headquarters instructing that physical examinations and contests for students be held from May 5 to 12 in cooperation with local educational authorities. Last year, it may be recalled, 9,893 students of Shensi, Kansu, Sikiang, Chinghai, Kwangsi, Szechuan and Kweichow joined in the contest.

## GENERAL

SOMETHING TO REALLY  
LAUGH AT!BRILLIANT  
ARMY WIN  
OVER  
EMPIRE XV

British Army 27 pts. An Empire

XV. 9

Sparkling movements and brilliant individual tries provided a fair-sized crowd at the Richmond Athletic Ground with plenty to cheer in this match in aid of the Army Recreational Equipment Fund.

It was Travers's splendid hooking that paved the way towards the Army's success. With almost monotonous regularity the ball was sent back to Ellis, and with the English scrum-half in his happiest mood the Army backs spent an enjoyable afternoon.

Luyt did two men's work for

the Empire, but heroically though he tried he could not stop both Reynolds and Wooler.

Wooler, as has been so often

the case in recent seasons, did not appear keyed up the whole time,

but that must be an illusion, because he always had an eye open

for a cut through, and he delighted the spectators with a typical effort in the closing stages.

The Empire backs were indulging in one of their rare passing movements when Wooler swept down on them from seemingly nowhere, snatched the ball in the air, and strode over the 30 yards to the posts in the twinkling of an eye for the checklist of tries.

STYLE CONTRAST

Peter Crammer provided a contrast in style with Wooler, but was no whit less effective. Putting his head down, he adopted his usual crashing tactics, and if once he lost a try by attempting to go too far, he made amends later when a resolute dash on his part was crowned by Guest.

On the Army's right wing Unwin gave further proof of the excellent form he has struck this season. He always wanted a lot of stopping, as Cobden discovered, and is a more accomplished wing now than when first capped for England.

Cobden, a powerful runner, had no chance at all until five minutes from the end, so badly beaten were the Empire in the scrums, while Obolesky was forced to be content with occasional short dashes down the right wing.

The Army were excellently served at fullback. Jenkins's touch-finding and air of confidence baring real assets.

Jenkins was given all the Army's kicks at goal, and began by placing a penalty and converting a try by Ellis in the first 13 minutes.

## PENALTY GOAL

The Empire then had a turn. M. Walker landing a well-judged penalty goal and Couchman scoring a try after Obolesky and Rees had paved the way. But the Army fought back, and shortly before the interval Crammer sent Guest sprinting across for Jenkins to kick a goal.

Early in the second half Reynolds broke through for Sayers to score, and the Army now began to pile up the points. A pick-up, punt ahead, and another gather of the ball saw Unwin over in the corner, following which Reynolds had the opposition defence all in a tangle. Jenkins converted a great try.

Then came Wooler's flash of opportunism, Jenkins again converting the try, but just before the finish Cobden came into his own, and by sheer determination scored for the Empire.

The Army—V. G. J. Jenkins (Wales); E. J. Unwin (England); P. Crammer (England); W. Wooler (Wales); R. H. Guest (England); F. J. Reynolds (England); J. Ellis (England); R. E. Prescott (England); W. H. Travers (Wales); W. E. N. Davies (Wales); R. B. Mayne (Ireland); G. B. Horsfall (Scotland); A. W. V. Buchanan (London Scottish); P. L. Duff (Scotland); H. J. M. Sayers (Ireland); Empire—M. M. Walker (G. Mary's Hosp.); A. Obolesky (England); L. Babrow (South Africa); R. Luyt (South Africa); D. G. Cobden (New Zealand); G. A. Walker (England); H. Tanner (Wales); H. Muller (South Africa); R. W. Sampson (Scotland); S. R. Couchman (British touring team); T. F. Huskisson (England); J. K. Watkins (England); D. K. Mackenzie (Scotland); A. M. Rees (Wales); J. Megaw (Ireland).

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Lieut-General Seishiro Itagaki,

the chief-of-staff of the Japanese

forces in China, will shortly leave

Hankow to resume the offensive

along the Canton-Hankow Railway

from the north and south. (Int'l.)

Ferrier scored when he beat

HONGKONG A.D.C.'S  
PRESENTATION OF  
"TONY DRAWS A  
HORSE"

The Hongkong Amateur Dramatic Club, now in its 98th year, will present Lesley Storm's light comedy "Tony Draws a Horse," on April 3, 4, 5 and 6, at the China Fleet Club Theatre. Booking is now open at the Anderson Music Co., Ltd.

## NO BETTER CHOICE

In the selection of this play the A. D. C. has been guided by ever increasing requests from the public for "something to really laugh at!" With that in mind, the Committee could scarcely have made a better choice, as many people recently returned to the Colony, who saw the play in London, will readily testify.

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# CHINESE MINORITIES IN SIAM UNDER HEAVY PRESSURE OF LAWS

SPECIAL TO THE H.K. DAILY PRESS

Foreign business and Chinese minorities in Siam are under heavy pressure of laws and regulations promulgated by the Siamese government, according to a Chinese university graduate just arrived in Hongkong, as a refugee from that country.

Ever since the interchange of good-will missions between Siam and Japan, the position of the Chinese in Siam has been precarious. There are Japanese advisers in the Siamese government, according to the traveller, and government projects, under the direction of Japanese technicians, have been put forward to make Siam self-sufficient and independent of foreign business concerns.

Another influence of Japan is seen in the maintenance of the Siamese navy, many of whose ships and gunboats were constructed in Japan, while officers of the Siamese fleet have been trained in Japan.

Since July 1939, the Siamese Government has made certain oil regulations with special regard to the two oil companies having branch offices in Siam—the Asiatic Petroleum Company and the Standard-Vacuum Oil Company, both of which have been directly affected. Japanese engineers are helping the Siamese government to build an oil refinery, with the purpose of making Siam independent of the British and American oil companies, while Japanese ships now transport oil to Siam. The local offices of the Asiatic Petroleum Company declined to confirm or deny knowledge of the above conditions, when contacted on the telephone, while an official of the Socony Vacuum Corporation in Hongkong admitted that although the company has at the present a branch office in Siam, "the continuation of business is problematical, on account of the new regulations put out by the government of Siam."

## HEAVY IMPORT DUTIES

According to the university graduate, half a year ago the Siamese Government has put out heavy import duties to discourage foreign business, since in Siam all the business big and small is in the hands of foreigners and Chinese, who especially control the retail business in the country. In Siam there are three distinct classes, the upper, consisting of Siamese Government officials, the middle class of foreign and Chinese business men, and the lowest class consisting of the Siamese coolie and labouring class.

The Siamese national economic policy is to drive out all foreign economic power—the Chinese being the most powerful—and to encourage Siamese to engage in business themselves.

Life for the Chinese now in Siam is very difficult. The Siamese Government has stiffened the Chinese immigration law, considerably restricting the entry of Chinese, whereas in the years past they could freely come and go, as they do in Hongkong. A few years ago a head tax of a hundred ticals was levied per immigrant, but after the fall of Canton, when Siam expected many Cantonese refugees, the head tax was raised to two hundred ticals per person, with an extra fifteen tical entrance charge.

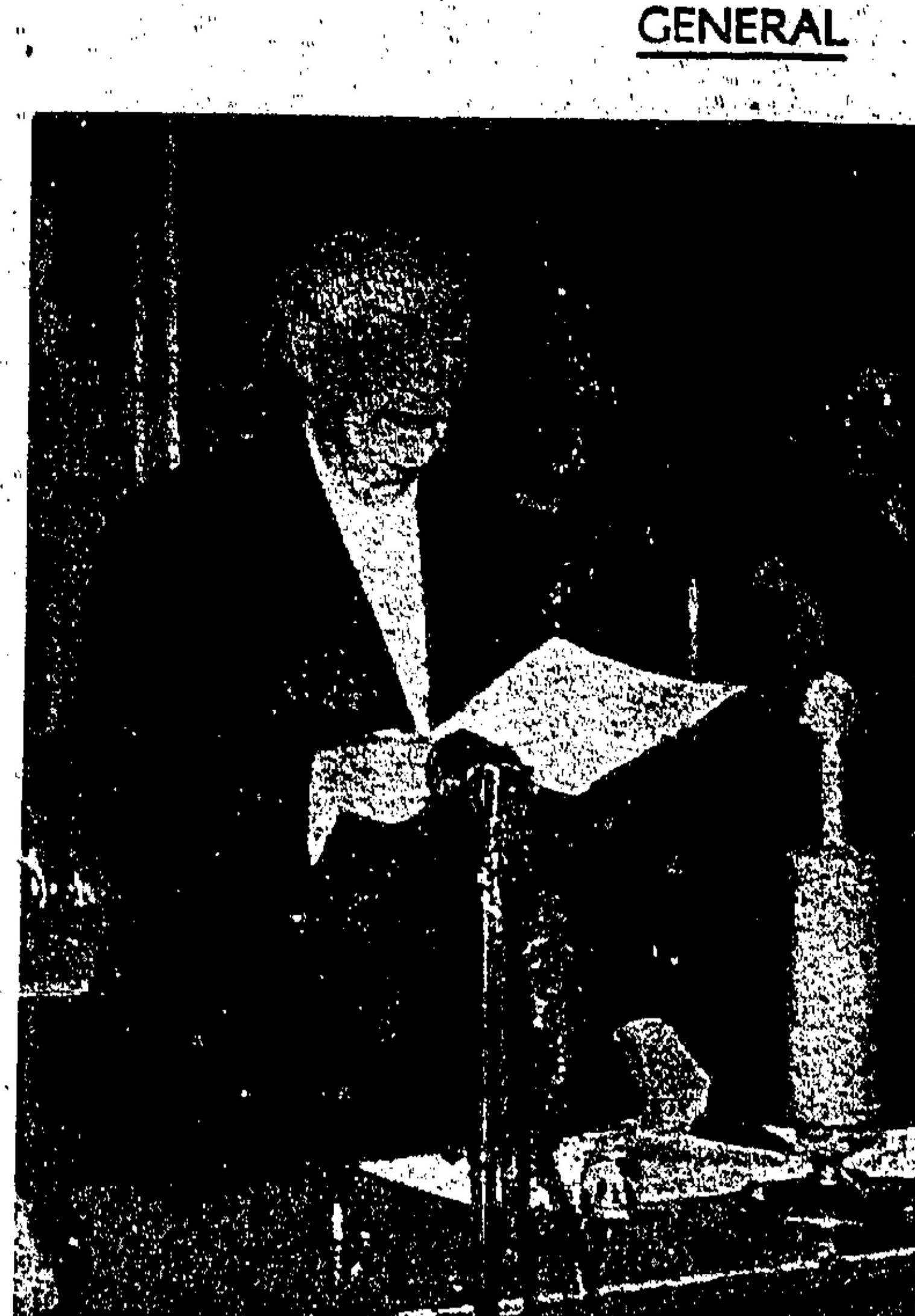
Years back, Siam's ablest king, King Chulalongkorn, whose reign lasted for over forty years (1851-1912), realized the importance of the Chinese minorities as an element in the Siamese population. Chinese merchants have been impoverishing Siam by sending back to China their business profits. Therefore King Chulalongkorn decided either to drive the Chinese out, or to force them to become naturalized subjects of Siam.

## SLAUGHTER SUBJECTS

A law was passed, making all children born in Siam automatically become Siamese subjects. However, some rich Chinese mothers would circumvent the purpose of the law by going by railway to Penang or Singapore, wherein to give birth to a child, who would then be a British subject and thus acquire dual nationality. But in the eyes of Siamese law, could only have one nationality, and thus the government hoped that after a few generations, all the Chinese in Siam would inevitably become Siamese.

An educational law was made with special regard for the Chinese—any child in Siam under the age of thirteen must attend school. In Siam most Chinese children go to their own Chinese primary and middle schools, where they were taught everything in their native tongue. Furthermore, the Siamese Government promulgated another regulation, making the study of the Siamese language compulsory in all Chinese institutions.

However, the process of "Siamesification" of Chinese youth became still more pronounced. From 1939,



Ignace Jan Paderewski, internationally known pianist and statesman, photographed in Paris as he broadcast an impassioned appeal to the world on behalf of his oppressed country, Poland, whose old government has taken root again on French soil.

## GENERAL

## Economics As Malayan Career

Stressing the value of economics studied in school or college as an aid to various careers, Dr. H. T. Silcock, Professor of Economics at Raffles College, gave an interesting lecture to the members of the Teachers' Association in Raffles' Institution, Singapore.

Dr. Silcock spoke on the future of a graduate in economics from Raffles College and said that the employment of graduates as managers and secretaries of Asiatic Banks and businesses or as administrative assistants in European banks and businesses and executive offices of Government in the departments most concerned with economic life, would be following successful European precedents.

## LOW INITIAL SALARIES

Continuing, Dr. Silcock said that he believed that at present graduates are not offered sufficiently attractive prospects in later years of employment and that they are not willing to accept sufficiently low initial salaries.

This, said the speaker, was the result of mistrust in both sides, mistrust which has some justification. This mistrust would not disappear automatically, added the speaker.

Much depended on the graduates themselves, and unless high professional standards, both intellectual and moral, were cultivated success in opening up this territory would never be attained.

## Control Of Iron, Steel

All iron and steel works, factories, or shops, or individuals in possession of iron and steel in any form are required to register with the Iron and Steel Control Committee, beginning from March 1, according to regulations recently announced by committee.

The committee was jointly organized by the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Ministry of War with Mr. Li Ching-lu as its chairman. The function of the committee is to conserve raw material, to eliminate waste, and to adjust the supply and demand of iron and steel.

The registrants are required to fill out forms with all the necessary information about the amount of iron and steel in their possession, their uses, and the business conditions of their factories or shops. No registration fee is charged.

Those who have concluded contracts for sales or purchases at the time of registration are required to send such contracts together with their application papers to the committee for consideration and approval.

## APPLY FOR PERMITS

After registration, those desiring to buy or transport iron and steel shall be required to apply to the committee for the necessary permits. In their application form they have to state in detail the purpose of their purchases and transportation arrangements. If the amount of iron and steel bought or transported is below one ton or its value is less than \$500, such permits shall not be needed.

Concerns engaged in the iron and steel industry after their first registration shall be required to submit to the committee monthly reports giving all the details about operation and production in their factories. They are to include in their reports any sales made with or without permits issued by the committee. The permits for sales or transportation should be sent to the committee along with the monthly reports.

Any shipment of iron and steel materials from abroad in China lacking the necessary permits issued by the committee shall be confiscated by Chinese customs authorities.

The committee shall have agencies in other parts of Free China and, whenever it deems necessary, it may station its members in the different iron and steel factories to supervise their operations. (C.I.C.)

## OVERSEAS CHINESE FOR CHUNGKING

CHUNGKING, Mar. 24 (Central)—Chungking is making preparations to welcome the South seas Chinese Comfort Delegation, which is scheduled to arrive in Chungking en route to the front early next month.

A rousing welcome will also be extended to Mr. Tan Kan-kee, well-known Chinese industrialist in Singapore, who will leave Rangoon by plane for Chungking on March 26. He will be accompanied by Messrs. Chwang Hsi-ven, Wang Chen-hsiang, Chan Tsing-hu and Li Tieh-min, overseas Chinese leaders.

a black future facing the Chinese minorities in Siam are fading, with the recent report that a Siamese mission has been sent to Chungking to talk over the mutual interests of the two countries.

## AGRICULTURAL PROJECTS BRING GOOD RETURNS

In the fiscal year of 1939, the National Agricultural Production Promotion Commission spent a total of \$20,000 for agricultural economy and bettering the general welfare of the peasants. It is now able to bring an estimated \$15,000 cash return, besides other intangible benefits.

Headed by Wisconsin—Illinois trained H. Y. Moh, the commission has for the past year been co-operating relentlessly with various institutions in numerous agricultural projects and experiments. It granted subsidies, and gave advice and recommendations to those who needed them. To carry out projects, it helped organize experimental stations and train skilled workers.

The actual cash return of \$15,648,318 for 1939 was \$6,000,000 more than the estimate originally made in June of the same year. The considerable increase is attributed to many reasons, including the bumper autumn harvest and the general improvement made in the course of the year.

The extension of rice cultivation in Hunan, for instance, was expected to bring 35,000 piculs, but actually the yield reached the 72,000 picul mark. Besides the

\$20,000 earmarked by the commission, the co-operating institutions themselves spent an additional \$563,124.

## NOT IN VAIN

All was not spent in vain, for it brought benefits which, expressed in terms of money, were many times more than the capital put in. For instance, by spending \$48,420 for the prevention and cure of pests, the commission and its co-operating institutions, including the Central Agricultural Experimental Station, saved crops worth \$1,161,334.

Similarly, \$200,770 worth of stock would otherwise have died of diseases if \$9,300 was not used for prevention and treatment purposes. Other agricultural endeavours benefited by the work of the commission included the extension of fertilizers, sericulture, reclamation of waste land, stock raising and horticulture.



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## Chile Collects Less In '39 For Foreign Debts

SANTIAGO, CHILE—The total revenue collected for the foreign debt in 1939 was \$9,456,203, as compared with \$14,135,573 in 1938, which was the highest amount since resumption of the service, on a reduced scale, in 1935.

The Amortisation Bank, which is responsible for debt services, announced revenue details as follows:

State profits

from nitrate ... \$2,979,512

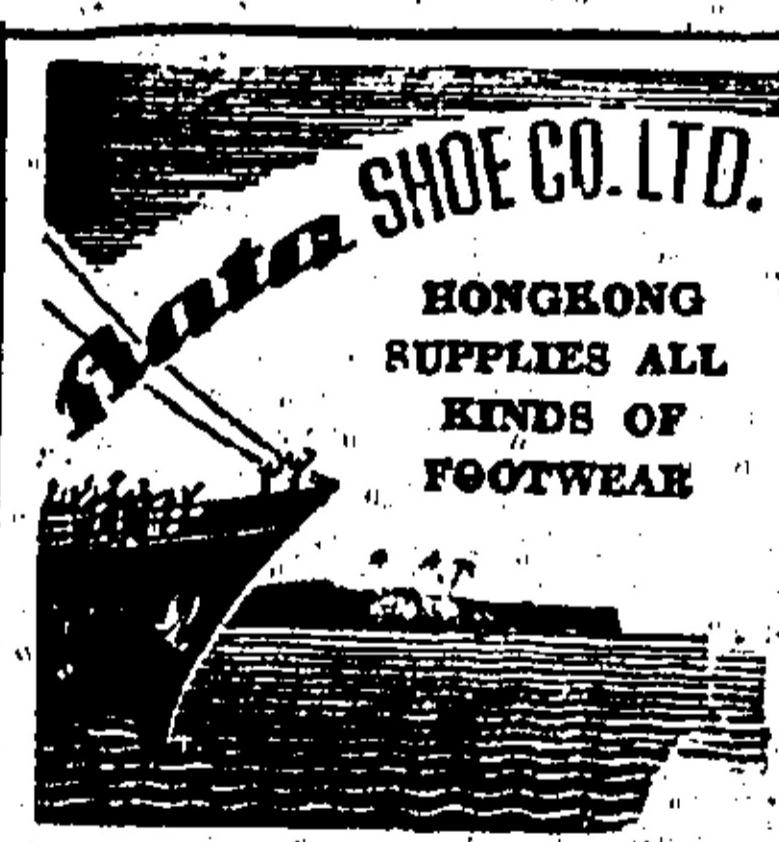
Income taxes on copper companies ... 6,348,008

Duty on oil imported for the nitrate industry ... 65,810

Duty on oil imported for the copper industry ... 62,872

As is customary, 50 per cent of the total, \$9,456,203, goes toward interest, so that payment has been made at the rate of \$1,525 per \$100 (nominal), \$1-10-54 per \$100 and 1,525 per 100 Swiss francs. With the remaining 50 per cent, bonds have been redeemed to a nominal value of \$5,822,000, \$120,560 and 228,000 Swiss francs, leaving a balance for similar operations for the present year.

On the other hand, foreign bondholders should be relieved by the maintenance of the law, with all its limitations, in face of the demand for suspension by supporters of the Popular Front regime. A campaign for another moratorium gathered force with the economic effects of the earthquake and the war, but it has since declined. (Christian Science Monitor).



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## FOREIGN MARKETS &amp; QUOTATIONS

## BENEFITS OF MIXED LABOUR

"It is our bounden duty as planters to see that the supply of essential commodities, such as tea and rubber are maintained without interruption by labour troubles, and it is with grave concern that we learn of such troubles up-country," said Mr. S F. H. Perera in his Presidential address at the annual meeting of the Southern Province Planters Association held at Galle.

Mr. Perera was re-elected Chairman for the fourth year in succession.

Moving the adoption of the report for the year he said that it was futile to lay the whole blame on political adventurers or agitators who try to gain their ends by creating chaos, or a genuine labour leader who tries to work in the best interests of the labourers to ameliorate their condition.

"Unless there is room for dissatisfaction and unrest among labour an outsider cannot get hold of a contented labour force. I would appeal to planters up-country to put their house in order and remove the causes of dissatisfaction and unrest," he continued.

## CHANGE OF TRADITIONS

"This would involve a change of established traditions in the management of labour and also an increase in the cost of production."

"I am sure proprietors will not grudge at the present moment an increased cost in production which they should consider in a sense their contribution to the war in order to see that essential commodities are supplied in sufficient quantities and regularly."

"If steps are not taken to remedy matters absentee proprietors should realise that the present trouble will be nothing in comparison to what will happen when the South-West monsoon starts in May and the tea bushes are covered with flush, and if there are no coolies the crop will be of the lowest."

"The present trouble up-country is also due to the fact that the labour force there is mostly Indian immigrant labour whereas in our Province where the force is a mixed one of Sinhalese and Indians there has absolutely been no trouble so far."

"I hope before long that planters up-country will also realise the benefits of having a mixed labour force."

## KWANGSI TAXATION REDUCTION

KWEILIN, March 25 (Int)—In an epoch-making decree, Gen. Huang Hsu-chu, Chairman of the Kwangsi Provincial Government, has required that all taxes in all counties be reduced by one half.

This sweeping measure is to reduce the burden of the people during the present war of resistance.

## War Insurance Helps Reconstruction In China

During the two and a half years since its inauguration, the insurance department of the Central Trust has collected approximately \$20,000,000 in premiums on transportation risks alone, according to Mr. Wang Yi-hsuan, deputy director of the organization in Chungking. Since last November the Central Trust has also been writing land war insurance for all investors and producers in Free China. Thus far more than \$30,000,000 worth of property at land-war risk has been underwritten by the institution with premiums totalling \$400,000.

Shortly after the outbreak of the war, the Chinese Government, in its effort to encourage production and to promote reconstruction in the rear, ordered the Ministry of Finance to write insurance against undue losses for all land transportation interests. The ministry, in turn, entrusted this important task to the Central Trust, a subsidiary organ. This step of the government has immediately won popularity among all shipping concerns, and today very few import and export trade to or from Free China is not insured with the Central Trust.

Although losses to the Central Trust during the period since the inception of the system, i.e., in 1937, have been about equal to the premiums

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J U N E	35-1/8				
J U LY - S E P T.					
L O N D O N R U B B E R	11-1/4	Market closed			
S P O T	11-1/4				
A P R I L	11-1/4	Market closed			
M A Y	11-5/16				
J U N E	11-1/4				
J U LY - S E P T.	11-3/16				
O C T . - D E C .	11-1/8				

The market was quiet but steady.

	Previous	Today's close	Buyers	Buyers	Change
S P O T	11-1/4				
A P R I L	11-1/4	Market closed			
J U N E	11-5/16				
J U LY - S E P T.	11-1/4				
O C T . - D E C .	11-3/16				

NEW YORK COTTON: Market closed.

NEW YORK RUBBER: Domestic consumption during the first quarter is estimated at 155,000 tons, only slightly below the record of 158,500 tons in the final 1939 quarter.

CHICAGO WHEAT: The market is easier on its own weight and there is no pronounced pressure or liquidation. A leading expert stresses that moisture in the South-West is still inadequate despite forecast of continued light rains over this week-end.

NEW YORK STOCKS: Previous close, 146.73; Today's close, 146.73; Change, unchanged.

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET  
(REUTER'S SERVICE)

	Prev.	Today's	High	Low	Close	Close	Change
New York Cotton, May			10.59		closed		
New York Rubber, May	18.45	18.45	18.41b	18.45	.04	up	
Chicago Wheat, May	1052	1052	1053	1054	.1	off	
Chicago Corn, May	569	569	569	569	.54	1 off	
New York Hides, June	13.85	13.75	13.77	13.76b	.01	off	

NEW YORK COTTON Close Opening Closing Change

May 10.59/59 July 10.37/37 July (New contract) 10.51 N October 9.90/90 December 9.77/77 January 9.72 N Spot 18.84 N

CLOSED

First notice day for cotton:—1/5/40 and last day 22/5/40.

NEW YORK RUBBER

March 18.44b/50a May 18.41b/43a June 18.42b/50a July 18.15/15 September 18.00b/05a December 17.88 B

Total sales:—60 tons.

Last trading day:—27/3/40.

CHICAGO WHEAT

May 1051/1051 July 1031/1031 September 1024/1024

Thursday's sales:—31,704,000 bushels.

CHICAGO CORN

May 561/562 July 571/571 September 581/581

WINNIPEG WHEAT

May 892/894 July 903/905 October 924B

NEW YORK HIDES

June 13.77/77 September 14.03/03 New York, Official 34-3/4 NY-London Cross Rate 3.72

## NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

QUOTATION  
(REUTER'S SERVICE)

MARCH 24, 1940.

STOCKS Last Sale Mar. 23 STOCKS Last Sale Mar. 23

Adams Express 74 Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass 50½

Alleghany Steel Co. 21½ Lockheed Aircraft 31½

Allied Stores 77 Loew's Inc. 36

Allis Chalmers 36½ Loft Incorporated 33

Aluminum Ltd. 104 Mack Truck Inc. 25

Amer. Can 114½ Martin, Glen L. 43

American Cyanamid B. 38½ McKesson & Robbins, pf. 27

Amer. & Foreign Power 18½ Monsanto Chemical 111

Amer. & Foreign 57 pf. 22 Montgomery Ward 53½

American Gas & Elec. 34½ National Aviation 14½

Amer. Locomotive 20½ Nat'l Radio Products 17½

Amer. Metals Co. 24½ Nat'l Distillers 25½

Amer. Radiator 8½ National Gypsum 102\*

Amer. Rolling Mill 14½ National Lead 21½

Amer. Sting & Ring Co. 49½ Nat'l Power & Light 7½

Amer. Sugar Refining 19½ National Steel Corp. 65½

Amer. Tel. & Tel. 17½ National Supply Corp. 8½

Amer. Tobacco "B" 89½ New York Central 15½

Amer. Waterworks 9½ Niagara Hudson Power 5

Anaconda Copper 28½ N. American Aviation 24½

Atchison, T. & S. Fe. 21½ North American Co. 21

Auburn Motors 14½ Northern Pacific 7½

Baltimore & Ohio 41½ Phillips Petroleum 33½

Barber Asphalt Co. 14½ Pacific Gas & Elec. 47½

Barnsdall Oil 10½ Pacific Lighting 47½

Bendix Aviation 34½ Packard Motors 3½

Bethlehem Steel 74½ Pan-American Airways 21½

Bliss & Co. 14½ Paramount Pictures 7½

Boeing Airplane Co. 22½ Pennsylvania R.R. 21½

Borg-Warner 103½ Phelps-Dodge 36½

Bridgeport Brass Corp. 103½ Phillips Petroleum 38½

Briggs Mfg. 20½ Pittsburgh Coke & Iron 7½

Brooklyn-Manhattan Trans. 22½ Public Service of N.J. 42

Brooklyn-Manhattan 90½ Pullman Inc. 25½

Canadian Pacific Rwy. 5½ Pure Oil 8½

Case, J. 37½ Radio Corp. of Am. 6½

Celanese 30 Reading Company, Com 15½

Chesapeake & Ohio 39½ Reading Company, 1st pd. 25\*

Chrysler Corp. 85½ Remington Arms Co., Inc. 3½

Climax-Molybdenum Co. 39½ Republic Aviation Corp. 5½

Colts Patent Fire-Arms 76½ Republic Steel 20

Columbia Gas & Elec. 51½ Revere Cop. & Brass Inc. 12½

Columbia 6% "A" pfd. 85½ Reynold Tobac. "B" 41½

Commercial Credit, Co. 45½ Richfield Oil 7

Com. & Southern (Ord.) 1 Safeway Stores 50½

Consolidated Edison 30½ Schenley Distillers 13½

Continental Can 74 Sears Roebuck 86

Continental Oil 47 Shell Union Oil 10½

Copperweld Steel 22½ Socony-Vacuum Oil 11½

Corn Products 59½ Southern Pacific 12½

Curtiss Wright (C.) 10½ Sperry 42½

Curtiss Wright "A" 29 Spitzer Manufacturing Co. 34½

Deere & Co. 21½ Standard Brands 6½

Distillers Corp. Seagrams 18½ Stand Gas & Elec. 18

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**Another Nazi Merchantship Sunk**

**CAPTAIN TAKEN PRISONER**

COPENHAGEN, Mar. 25 (Reuters)—A British submarine sank another German merchantman. She is the 2,200-ton Edmund Hugo Stinnes, registered in Hamburg, and it is reported that she was a collier.

**TWO INJURED**

She was sunk on Saturday night and the Captain taken prisoner by the submarine and the rest of the crew have now reached Denmark. Two were injured while launching a lifeboat.

As in the case of the Hedderheim, the crew were given fifteen minutes' warning to get clear of the ship before it was sunk.

**HOLY SEPULCHRE OPEN TO PUBLIC**

JERUSALEM, Mar. 25 (Reuters)—For the first time since 1937, the Cross of the Holy Sepulchre was opened to the public for a service. It had been under repair for some time and is now deemed to be safe.

**WEATHER REPORT**

Hongkong Royal Observatory  
10 a.m., March 25.  
Barometer, (at sea level), 30.09 ins.  
Temperature, 67 F.  
Humidity, 67 per cent.  
Wind Direction, WSW.  
Wind Force (Beaufort), 1.  
Temperature: maximum, yesterday  
71 F.  
Temperature, minimum last night  
62 F.  
Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10 a.m.  
today, nil.  
Total rainfall since January 1st  
9.48 ins.  
Against an average of, 5.11 ins.  
Sunset tonight, 6:30 p.m.  
Sunrise tomorrow, 6:22 a.m.  
4 p.m., March 25.  
Barometer (at sea level), 30.01 ins.  
Temperature, 68 F.  
Humidity, 74 per cent.  
Wind Direction, W/S.  
Wind Force (Beaufort), 4.  
Maximum temperature, 73 F.  
Minimum temperature, 62 F.  
Rainfall, nil.

**HONG KONG TIDE TABLE**

From 26 Mar. to 1 Apr. 1940.

HIGH WATER Low WATER

Days of Week	Date Month	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Tues.	26	10:52	8	04:35	20
		23:52	5	17:10	1
Wed.	27	11:58	8	05:05	25
				18:03	4
Thur.	28	00:50	5	06:35	29
		19:08	6	19:00	16
Fri.	29	01:55	4	06:06	34
		13:50	6	20:06	9
Sat.	30	03:14	4	06:35	38
		13:42	6	21:28	1
Sun.	31	04:47	4	07:15	40
		16:00	5	22:52	2
Mon.	1	06:30	4	08:35	44
		16:30	5	23:58	21

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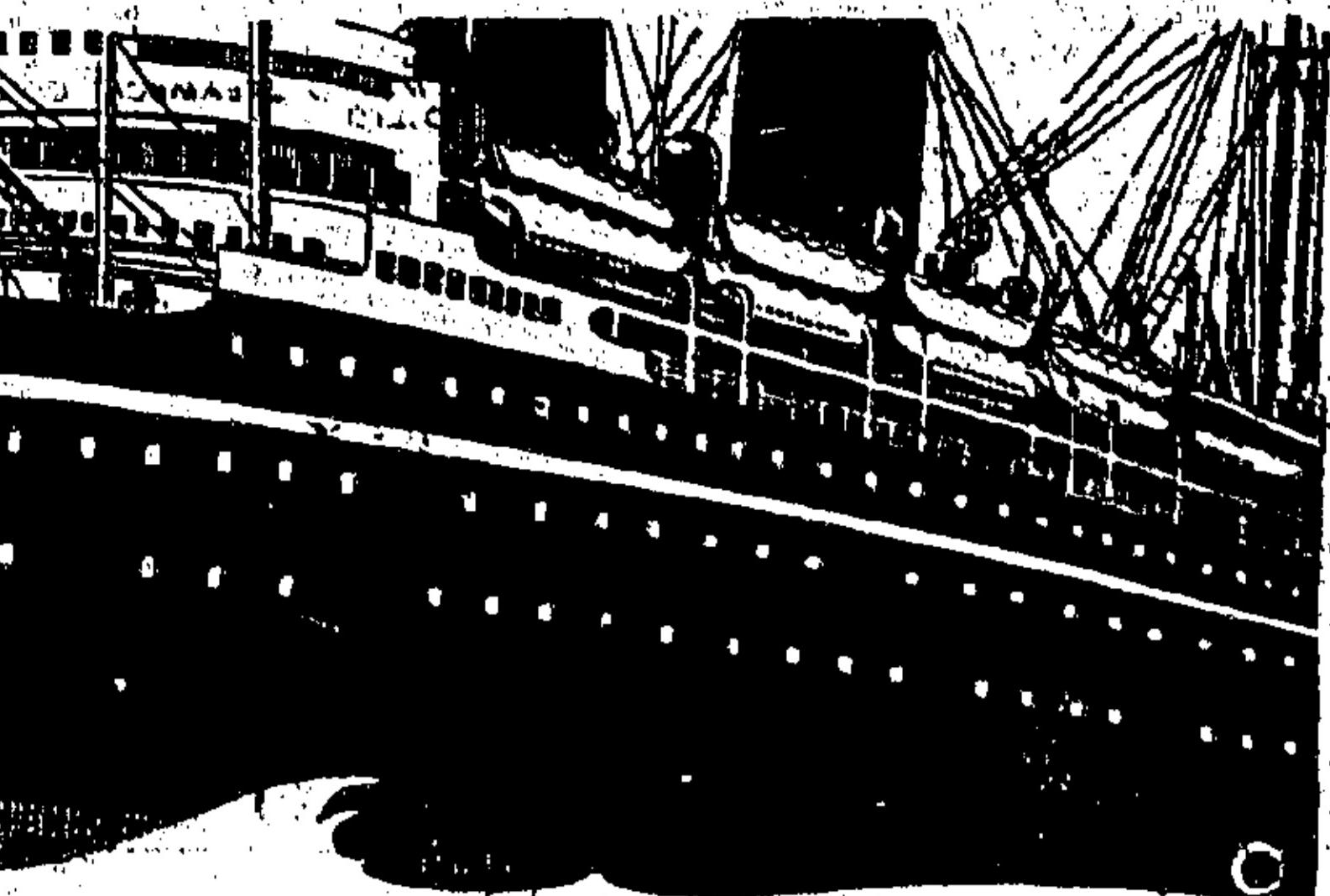
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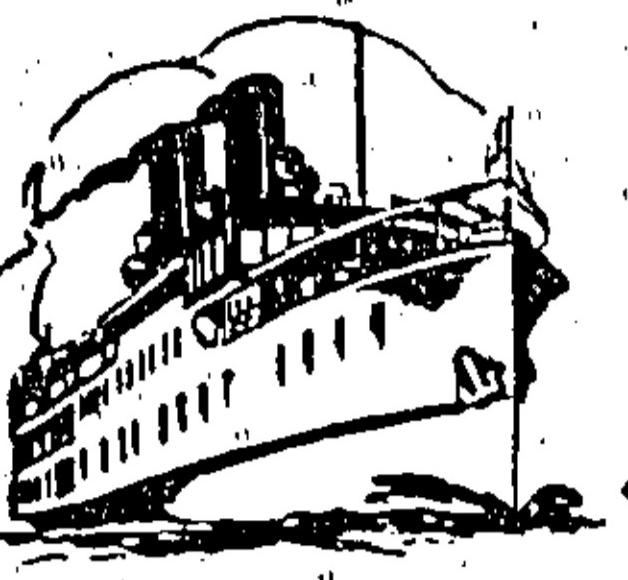
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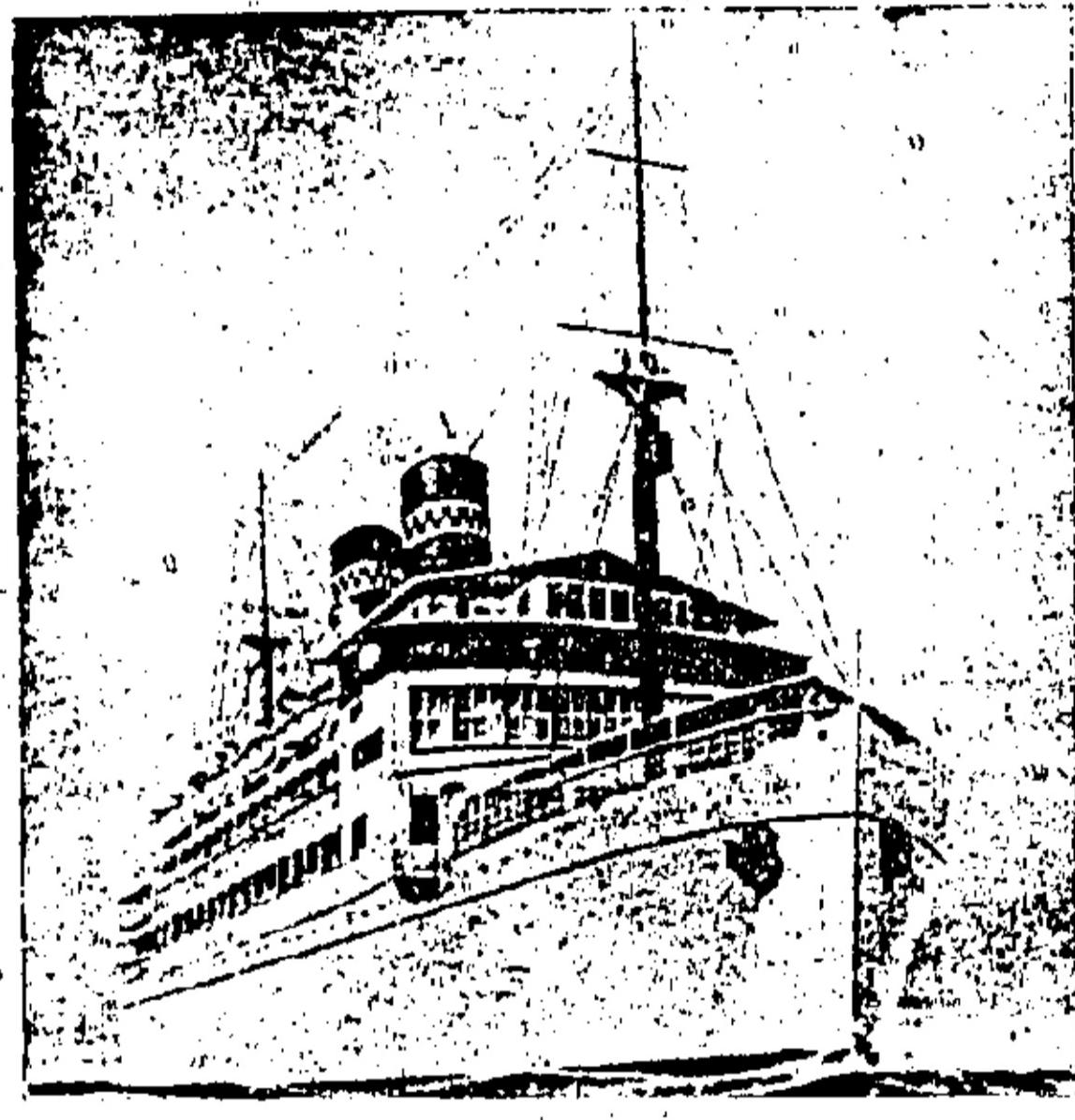
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**WORLD AFFAIRS ANALYSIS**

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improvements, are bound to come about for the next ten years.

**BRITAIN'S DETERMINATION:**

The present war does not affect the determination of the Government to bring about the improvement. Whitehall could easily and plausibly put off the increase of the grant until after the war. The Government has undertaken this large financial liability at a time when it is distracted by a great war. I think it has acted generously and wisely.

Also, the present war has made the Government at home and the Government's overseas link together much more than before. They work together on the principle of "give and take." And for closer co-operation more frequent contacts with each other than before are desirable.

It is a good thing all round occasionally to send members of the Colonial Office to visit the Colonies. Technical advisers and heads of departments in the Office spending a part of their time in the Colonies also would benefit all parties. I am glad that this practice is to become much more frequent and to be extended.

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE:**

It is announced that the Secretary of State for the Colonies will himself be assisted by a Colonial Development and Welfare Advisory Committee. In much the same way as he is already assisted in educational matters by the Advisory Committee on Education. And for the co-ordination and supervision of the carrying out of the Government's statement of policy, a Comptroller will work through the Governments of the Colonies concerned, but will be independent of them. He will have direct access to the Secretary of State.

"From London there will be assistance and guidance, but no spirit of dictation," assured Mr. Macdonald. I think this the best foundation for co-operation between the Home Government and the overseas Governments.

**MR. SUMNER WELLES:**

Since the arrival of Mr. Sumner Welles in Europe there have been various wild speculations as to the outcome of his visit. Most people look upon him as a messenger of peace, and predict that after his reports to President Roosevelt, a peace plan will be put forward by America. Some people, however, regard him as a messenger of war.

During the last great war, before the United States entered the European conflict, President Woodrow Wilson sent his confidant, Colonel House, to make a round of visits to the various countries involved in the quarrel, with peace proposals. After the ex-Kaiser had rejected the American plan, the United States then declared war against Germany.

Therefore, it is quite logical that many people believe that Mr. Welles has been sent by President Roosevelt to precede the possible entry of the United States into the present conflict.

Both these conjectures are rather premature. Either of them is as wrong as the other. It must be remembered that what Mr. Welles says to the head of governments, as well as what they say to him, will be totally unknown to the outside world! Furthermore, these conversations are not meant to decide anything. Not only are none of these people themselves able to tell what will result from the visit, but also President Roosevelt is entirely powerless to control the wheel of fate in Europe. Before the outbreak of war Mr. Roosevelt once and again tried his peace move. Did he succeed? This does not mean that he is bound to fail again. But it is rather too soon to jump to conclusions before we know what they are talking about!

**SIGNIFICANT POINT:**

At present there is only one point of which we ought to take notice. It is significant that all the heads of the European powers whom Mr. Welles is coming to see, Stalin is not one. Neither was Mr. Welles instructed, according to what we have heard, to visit Finland, who is in the war, or any of the smaller threatened neutrals who might be involved in the general conflict at any moment.

As to the wartime Governments of Poland and Czechoslovakia, now in exile, I presume that the United States will not ignore their existence as yet.

I should think that, in order to gain real first hand knowledge of the present situation, not only

**VOLUNTEER ORDERS**

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HONGKONG VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS

ORDERLY MEDICAL OFFICER Mar. 29 H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Lieut. J. S. H. Scott.

**OBITUARY**

The Commandant regrets to announce the death of No. 3858 Spr. G. Nechaff, Field Company Engineers, which occurred on 9/3/40.

**EFFICIENCY MEDAL**

Extract from Government Gazette No. 11 of the 15.3.40.

"34—In accordance with regulation 8 of the Regulations as to grant, forfeiture, restoration and other matters concerning the Efficiency Medal in regard to the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, published as Notification No. 579 in the Gazette of August 2, 1935, His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to authorize the following awards:—Efficiency Medal. Private Mario Marin Da Silva. Lance-Sergeant Jaime Daniel dos Remedios. March 11 1940."

**PROMOTIONS**

Extract from "Government Gazette No. 11 of the 15.3.40.

"No. 300—His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve the following promotions in the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, with effect from Feb 23, 1940—

Corporal Kenneth Struan Robertson to be Second Lieutenant.

Corporal Ian Philip Tamworth to be Second Lieutenant. Mar. 8, 1940."

**LOST**

At Pakshawan on 12.3.40, one pair of binoculars (Registered number 29178). Will all owners of binoculars, and especially those who were at Pakshawan on this date, please check their numbers.

**PARADES**

Corps Artillery Mar. 27 Wellington Bks. 5.30 p.m. DEL Section, Mobile Light training. Dress—Overalls.

Mar. 29 (I) H.Q. Miniature Range 5.30 p.m. B.C.A. Class under 2/Lt D. McLellan. Dress—Mufti. (II) H.Q. Pay parade for all members who have not yet received their Camp Pay.

**2nd Battery**

Mar. 27 H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Miniature Range. Left Section and B.C. Staff.

Mar. 28 H.Q. 5 p.m. Miniature Range. Right Section and DEL personnel.

**CORPS ARTILLERY**

Mar. 27 H.Q. 7.45 p.m. Battery Dinner. All members not in possession of Blue Patrols, will wear jacket and trousers, boots, S.D. caps and webbing belts. Mon. 1st Apr. Next parade.

**FIELD COMPANY ENGINEERS** Mar. 28 K.C.R. 5.30 p.m. Technical training by Sections.

**CORPS SIGNALS**

Mar. 22 H.Q. 9 a.m. Reconnaissance party.

Mar. 27 H.Q. 5.15 p.m. Signal training—Instrument instruction.

Mar. 29 H.Q. 5.15 p.m. Signal training for classification.

**MOBILE COLUMN**

Armoured Car Platoon Mar. 29 H.Q. 5.30 p.m. (I) Classes A, B, and C. Fire Orders and Range Discipline. (II) N.C.O.'s Class. Guard duties etc.

Mar. 31 Stonecutters. Rifles.

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**NO. 1 COMPANY**

Mar. 29 H.Q. 5.30 p.m. As Company programme.

**NO. 2 COMPANY**

Mar. 28 (I) No. 6 Platoon. Kowloon Dock. 5.30 p.m. L.G. Instruction. (II) No. 7 Platoon. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. L.G. and MG. Instruction.

these Governments but also the territories occupied by Germany and by Russia should be visited.

To think that a quarrel on such a big scale could be settled by consulting the "big four" is too optimistic. I do not believe that peace proposals can be reached satisfactorily when the vital interests of all these smaller countries are taken for granted.

Mr. Welles is, and undoubtedly will be, well received by all the countries he is told to visit, just as Lord Lytton and his party were well received in China some years ago. But it remains to be seen whether he can succeed where Lord Lytton failed, and can contribute, through his visit and report, to the peace of the world.

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